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A LARCENY CASE IS BEING HARD FOUGHT.

C. M. Johnson Charges S. Howe Bonar With Getting Away With Pocketbook Containing $450.

THE VERDICTS IN OTHER CASES.

Adelaide Miner Convicted of Violating Mining Laws by Opening Safety Lamp on Duty—Routine of the Court—Dog Stealers Convicted.

Uniontown, March 14.—The theft of $450 from Charles M. Johnson and subsequent arrest of S. Howe Bonar, charged with the crime, occupied the attention of the court in Room No. 1 the better part of the morning. Bonar is accused of having taken a pocketbook containing three $100 bills, three $50 bills and a lease valued at $100 from a toilet room in the Exchange Hotel, Uniontown, on the night of December 22 last. Johnson alleges that he left the pocketbook in the toilet room reserved for guests on the second floor, and did not discover his loss until the next morning. Bonar was the only man on the second floor, and he was seen in the writing room of the hotel shortly after Johnson left the closet, about 11 o'clock that night.

It is alleged that Bonar had two of the $50 bills changed the next morning at the National Bank of Fayette County. This case is exciting much interest here today.

It took the jury but a few minutes to convict John Magari, a foreigner charged with violating the mining laws. Magari was charged by Mine Inspector T. D. Williams with unlocking a lighted safety lamp to ignite another one. This occurred in Adelaide mine, alleged to be gaseous, on February 1. This case was heard in Court Room No. 2.

The second case before Judge Reppert this morning was that of John A. Province, Adam Smock and William Florence, charged with assault and battery and rioting by J. C. Higinbotham, a retail lumber dealer of Bridgeport. Higinbotham alleges that late on last Hallowe'en night these young men and two others, William Gwynn and Walter Beatty, created considerable disturbance around his place in Bridgeport and started to carry off a wagon and other articles. Higinbotham interfered and was struck with a brick. He shot at the fellows and thinks he hit one. Attorney R. P. Kennedy is for the defense, while Assistant District Attorney Hudson is being aided in the prosecution by Attorney H. A. Cottom.

A verdict was returned Tuesday afternoon in the case of John Smith, charged with malicious mischief by Anna Macejik, of not guilty, prosecutrix to pay the costs.

Sad was the fate of Fish Younkin and John Cox, two tramps charged with purloining a dog belonging to M. M. Patterson of New Haven. It was alleged by Mr. Patterson that the two men stole a valuable collie dog named "Buff" from his place in Dunbar township on the night of February 9. The next morning the two men were seen in front of the Yough House in Connellsville by James Ward, porter at that hostelry. Ward offered to buy the dog, but the men refused to sell it. A few weeks later Mr. Patterson's son and nephew were in Connellsville and Ward called their attention to Younkin, who was enjoying a few drinks at the Yough House bar. The two men went in and questioned Younkin, who told the entire story, even to giving the name of the collie and the disposition made of it. The animal was sold in Hyndman for $7.00. This voluntary statement on Younkin's part resulted in the arrest of the two men. On the witness stand both Younkin and Cox denied the allegations made against them. A verdict of guilty was returned by the jury. Several tatterdemalion companions of the two men were about the court house at the time and were neither sparing nor complimentary in their comments on the result of the verdict. This case was tried before Judge Reppert in Room No. 2.

The case of John Pokainco, charged with the larceny of a coat valued at $4.50 from Edward Gottman, was taken up immediately after the dog matter was disposed of. Gottman, who runs a store in Brownsville, alleges that Pokainco came to his store on November 18 and tried on several coats, none of which appeared to fit him.

Gottman left him to wait on another customer and the foreigner walked out of the establishment. That evening the coat of the suit was missing. It is seldom that suits are broken, and none of Gottman's clerks remembered selling the coat. Several weeks later Pokainco returned to the store to make some purchases, this time wearing two coats. A tailor, who has a shop next to Gottman was in the store at the time and he was asked if he could not make Pokainco's coat fit better. The three men went into the tailor shop, and when Pokainco removed the outer coat Gottman recognized the inner one as that missing from his store. Pokainco said that he bought the coat down the street, but could not be more definite, and later, when given a hearing before a Justice of the Peace in Brownsville declared that he bought the coat from Gottman. Attorney R. P. Kennedy is representing the defendant.

A verdict of not guilty and prosecutor pay the costs was returned by the jury Tuesday evening.

Before Judge Umbel in the large court room the case of Mike Donadio, an agent for the Masontown Brewing Company, was taken up. Donadio was charged with selling liquor to Alva and George Blacey, both of New Haven, who are minors. It appeared that the Blacey boys ordered the keg of beer, and with other youngsters, got drunk on it. Alva is 20 and George 15 years of age, although the latter appears much older. Alva drives a beer wagon, and it was alleged that he represented himself to be of age.

Donadio was acquitted of the charge made against him.

It took the jury until seven o'clock to reach an agreement in the case of Petro Wernicu. A sealed verdict was returned this morning convicting Wercin of larceny of $40 from Vinzenzo Donato.

Notes of Court.

Elijah G. Henry has been appointed an auditor in Connellsville township to succeed Charles J. Schenck, resigned.

Attorney Richard W. Dawson has filed his report as master in the divorce proceedings of Florence B. Norcross. Mr. Dawson recommends that a divorce be granted on the grounds of wilful and malicious desertion. The couple were married at Kittanning June 20, 1899. On April 10, 1902, Norcross became an embezzler of or defaulter to his employers, the Felmont Brewing Company, and since that time has been a fugitive from justice. Before securing employment with that concern he moved about over the whole country, and did not settle down for any length of time. Mrs. Norcross has been living with her parents in Uniontown.

ENGINEER M'MINN IMPROVING

Injuries Will Not Likely Prove Fatal to Him.

Friends of Engineer John McMinn of South Connellsville, who was badly hurt near McKeesport on Monday while on his first regular run as an engineer, is improving at the Mercy hospital in Pittsburg where he was taken after the accident. Mr. McMinn's skull is not fractured the physicians say. However, he is very badly injured and for some days will not be out of danger. B. F. Smith, an engineer on the Connellsville Division, and a neighbor of McMinn's, accompanied the latter's sister, Miss Lydia McMinn, and his baby to the hospital yesterday. He found McMinn much brighter and the physician held out much hope for his recovery within a few weeks. Mrs. McMinn is with her husband at the hospital.

Engineer McMinn was struck on the back of the head by a protruding freight car slat or door.

John Guiler a Grandpa.

A baby boy that takes after his grandpa, J. A. Guiler, was born Tuesday afternoon to Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Bryte at their Ohiopyle home. The resemblance to its grandfather is in its averdupois. The youngster weighed 12 pounds at its birth.

Died From Hydrophobia.

A valuable cow owned by Martin H. King of near Kingview, Scottdale, died last week of hydrophobia. The cow was bitten by a mad dog last fall.

STOP SNOWBALLING.

Police Put An End to Several Warm Combats Between Boys on Tuesday Evening.

The police are paying particular attention to boys who have been in the habit of snowballing pedestrians along the streets. Last night the police stopped several snowballing matches and warned the boys that they could not engage in the sport along the streets. Several South Side youngsters were gathered in by the police and were taken in the direction of the bastile, but upon faithfully promising the officers that they would stop the dangerous practise they were permitted to go to their homes.

The practise is indulged in to the greatest extent after school hours and it is then that the officers will pay strict attention to them. All the boys have been warned, and unless they leave the streets to do their snowballing they will find themselves before the Burgess one of these mornings.

FORMING A VETERAN ASSOCIATION.

Old Employes of Allied Companies of U. S. Steel Corporation in Coke Regions Held Preliminary Meeting Here Yesterday.

Employees in an official capacity of the H. C. Frick Coke Company and allied companies of the U. S. Steel Corporation are forming a veteran's association and Tuesday afternoon a meeting was held at the Smith House to further the plans for the organization. Those who attended the meeting Tuesday afternoon were Hugh Coll, P. J. Tormay, J. A. Barnhart, W. A. Todd, W. C. Mullan and V. W. Yahner. W. A. Todd is the acting president of the association and W. C. Mullan is acting secretary.

The plans for the association have not been fully decided upon and only the preliminary rules have been drafted and may be altered in a slight degree as the members may decide when a meeting of all those who are interested is held.

The plans provide for the membership of the association being made up employees of the different steel corporation interests in the coke region who have served 20 or more years. So far as those interested in forming the association have compiled the list of eligibles to the association they have found 18 men who can belong to it. It is not likely that the number will be more than 20.

The object of the association is purely social and has no connection with the business world. The members will conduct it entirely upon a social plan and business will be debarred from all gatherings which are to be held at the members' homes at stated intervals. The promoters of the association hope to have plans perfected in a few weeks.

THREATENED TO SHOOT.

Fred Sabeto Charged With Pointing Firearms at S. Connellsville Boys.

Fred Sabeto, an Italian, was arrested last night on the charge of carrying concealed weapons and pointing fire arms, and last evening gave bond before Magistrate Frank Miller for his appearance at a hearing Monday evening.

It is alleged that Sabeto, who is employed on the Mountain Water Supply Company line, became exasperated at three boys, Patrick King, Fred Searry and Elmer Friel, and drew his pistol from his pocket with the apparent intention of killing one of them. The boys made their escape as quickly as possible and reported the affair to the police, who arested Sabeto.

BAD APPRENTICES UP ON THE CARPET.

Boys Who Have Neglected Work at B. & O. Shops Given Lecture by Master Mechanic Harrigan.

Seven Baltimore & Ohio shop apprentices were upon the carpet yesterday and 8 this morning before P. J. Harrigan, master mechanic of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at Connellsville. Some of the apprentices have been forgetting all about their work and this came to the attention of Mr. Harrigan. He immediately issued an order for the appearance of the offending apprentices.

Mr. Harrigan spoke to the boys in a determined but fatherly manner, telling them that they were wasting valuable time and betraying their parents' trusts, some of whom had used every effort to secure them their positions in the shops. He was severe in his arraignment of several of the boys, who are now nearing manhood, stating to them that their first offense would result in their dismissal from the shops.

The rule requiring the apprentices to take instruction in mathematics and work pertaining to mechanical training was brought up and the boys were instructed that they must follow this rule in the future and devote themselves to night study of an hour or more three nights in the week.

GOT MOON AT YOUNGWOOD.

Frank Moon, Wanted at Confluence, Arrested by Constable Crossland.

Constable Joseph Crossland went to Youngwood Monday and placed Frank Moon of Confluence under arrest on the charge of assault and battery committed upon James Robinson, an aged Baltimore & Ohio watchman near Confluence. Moon's home is near Confluence and the alleged assault is said to have been committed about six weeks ago while he was visiting his home.

Moon is now employed on the Southwest branch of the railroad. Moon was taken to Confluence and turned over to the constable at that place and will have a hearing before Squire Groff.

WILL RAISE THE MONEY.

Centennial Finance Committee Meet And Talk Over Their Plans

The Centennial Finance Committee held a meeting on Tuesday and talked over the plans upon which they will proceed to raise money to defray the expenses of the coming celebration in July. Several methods were devised and different members of the committee were detailed to solicit funds from different classes of business men, both in Connellsville and other towns and cities.

A member of the committee this morning stated that the Finance Committee would be prepared to do its part and the funds would be forthcoming for the big event.

May Close the Schools.

The school directors of Carroll township, Washington county have decided to close several schools owing to opposition to the vaccination law.

Houses Scarce in Greensburg.

Houses for rent are said to be very scarce in Greensburg.

A LARGE B. & O. PAY.

Pittsburg and Connellsville Division Men Will Draw Big Money.

FIGURES ON LOCAL DIVISIONS

Will Total in the Neighborhood of $210,000, Which is Phenomenal Considering That February Was a Short Month of Only 28 Days.

One of the largest amounts distributed among the employes of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad recently for the monthly pay is being turned over to the men today by Agent W. H. Towzey. The checks for the men arrived this morning from Cumberland on train No. 13 and at one o'clock this afternoon Mr. Towzey began paying the trainmen. The office forces receive their checks before noon when they arrive in the morning.

It is estimated that the pay rolls here this month, including the Connellsville and Pittsburg Divisions will total between $195,000 and $210,000. The majority of this vast amount goes to the employes on the Connellsville Division and branches all of whom make their headquarters in Connellsville. Considering that February was a short month of only 28 days, the payrol is extremely heavy, few previous months in the history of the road comparing with it.

To pay out this amount of money will take the better part of two days, the employes of the Connellsville Division receiving their checks ahead of the Pittsburg Division men. Some will not receive their checks for several days, as they are absent on runs. The big bulk of the money however, will be distributed by noon tomorrow.

Mass Meeting to Prevent Distillery.

Arrangements have been made to start work on a distillery on the property purchased by Delbert Rush on Main street, Uniontown, Pa. A mass meeting of citizens was held to protest against the erection of a distillery in the center of the town and a lively fight is expected.

CITIZENS ARE BARRED.

New Ohiopyle Council Will Enforce Ordinance to Hold Nothing But Star Chamber Sessions.

Ohiopyle, March 14.—The town Council met as usual in the Borough bastile Monday evening and after transacting the regular monthly business the old Council stepped down and out, turning the affairs of the borough over into the hands of the new Council. This was a rather important move and involved quite a bit of time, as the usual number of lobbyists were present to express their opinion as to the future success of Ohiopyle under the rule of the new Councilmen.

An ordinance was passed several months ago by Council prohibiting the entrance of any outsiders into the Council chamber during a meeting of that body, but as it was never enforced, the lobbyists were always present. Under the iron will of the new Council things will take a different trend and woe to those opposed to this or that rule. The new Councilmen sworn in by Burgess Radcliffe Wier were: J. W. Chuck, John Nicholson, E. H. Kennedy, W. R. Johnson and W. B. Jackson. They immediately took charge of borough affairs, electing W. B. Jackson president; W. R. Johnson, town clerk; J. W. Chuck, E. H. Kennedy and John Nicholson, street committee; D. P. Collins and H. C. Jones, police committee. J. L. Cunningham was appointed chief of police. After instructing the secretary to post notices to the effect that a street commissioner was yet wanted, the application for this position to be made at the next regular meeting, the Council adjourned to meet again the second Monday in April.

WANTS BURGESS OUSTED.

Fairchance Election Board's Count Results in Court Proceedings.

Uniontown, March 14.—Citizens of Fairchance have petitioned court to oust Frank Abel, the Republican Burgess who was awarded a certificate of election by the board on February 20. Abel had 117 votes against 123 for "Jeff" Davis, the Democratic-Prohibition candidate.

On one of the tickets the name was printed "Thomas J. Davis" and on the other "Jefferson Davis." The election board holds that there were two different names and although it was evident they referred to the same man they decided that he was not elected. The court will hear the dispute on April 3.

THE MUSIC LOVERS' REGULAR MEETING

Held on Tuesday Evening at Home of Miss Harriet Stouffer a Most Entertaining One.

A delightful event in musical circles was the regular meeting of the Music Lovers' Club held Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Harriet Stouffer on South Pittsburg street. The attendance was very large and the program was an excellent one. The program was as follows:

'Cello intermezo from "Cavilera Rusticanna" by Miscagni, S. F. Hood; vocal solo, Prof. J. L. Rodrigues; contralto solo, Rogers' "Love Song," Miss Anna Belle Millard, bass solo, "All Through the Night," Warren Murrie.

A piano duet from Terrete's arrangement of "Il Trovatore," by Miss Anna Tumpson and Mrs. Harry Williams of Dunbar, was one of the most enjoyable numbers of the program. Aloysius Coll gave a very interesting talk on "The Methods of Composers;" Earl Kephart delighted the audience with three Chopin numbers, including the "Waltz in A," an etude and the famous "Nocturne in E;" piano solo, Miss Jessie Rhodes.

At the close of the program a prettily appointed luncheon was served, after which the remainder of the evening was spent in a musical contest, the prize being awarded to Miss Pearl Keck. Those present pronounced the meeting one of the best held since the organization of the club. The program was in charge of Miss Winifred Harrigan.

RONCO SHOOTING.

John Boring Is Dying in the Uniontown Hospital.

Uniontown, March 14.—A shooting occurred at Ronco last night which will result fatally. John Boring was shot in the store of Richard Wright by King Lewis, a negro. The bullet lodged in the right side of Boring's face the injured man was brought to the hospital here, where he now lies in a very critical condition.

Lewis was placed under arrest by Constable George Brown of Masontown, who will probably bring the prisoner to the county jail some time today.

MOVING INTO NEW STORE.

Aaron Company Will Take Two Days to Remove Big Stock.

The Aaron Company today began work moving into their handsome new home on North Pittsburg street. It will take two days for the Aaron Company to get the bulk of their goods removed from the old store.

New goods are constantly arriving and being stored in the big building on Pittsburg street. When everything is in ship shape a great opening will be given by the Aaron management.

Many Sent to Siberia.

St. Petersburg, March 14.—[Special.]—The elections for the National Douma are proceeding slowly. The people generally were overawed and are afraid to vote. Many Liberals who were elected have already been arrested and sent to Siberia.

Colder Tonight.

The noon weather bulletin says: "Snow tonight and Thursday; colder tonight."

RUBE BAND ROUTED BY SNOWBALL SHOWER.

Scottdale Youngsters One Hundred Strong Caused Theatrical Wind-Jammers to Seek Shelter in Meat Shop.

DRUMMER RETREATED FIRST

Then a Snowball With a Stone Core Put the Cornet Out of Commission. Orders Have Gone Out Against the Practice.

Special to The Courier.

Scottdale, March 14.—Snowballing of riotous proportions made the streets uncomfortable and dangerous to innocent travellers yesterday. When the schools dismissed for the noon hour Pittsburg and Chestnut street corner became a storm center, which was so violent as to break up the street parade of a "rube" band, with a show billed for the Geyer Opera House in the evening. A mob of youngsters had attacked the players further down street, and the first to succumb was the man with the big bass drum. The thump of snowballs thrown with vicious fervor against the drumheads broke the time. To save the drum and himself, the drummer retreated.

The wind-jammers tried to continue their part, but were driven to seek refuge in Stauffer's meat market. One of them had a fine cornet damaged by a snowball, the core of which was formed of a stone. Nearly a hundred yelling youngsters surrounded the meat market and fired volleys without regard to windows, people or anything else.

Principal Edgar Reed coming along at this time subdued the gang and the musicians were permitted to get back to their hotel. The snowballing continued intermittently all day. The matter has been reported to the police by the people who think that snowballing of pedestrians, men, women and children, as has been the custom here, is a species of disorder equal, and often worse, than the appearance of drunken men on the streets, as proven by the death of a school child in Connellsville from the effects of being struck by a snowball.

COKE MAY PICK UP.

Probability of Coal Strike Will Help This District.

The probability of a strike of the bituminous and anthracite coal miners is likely to help the coke trade in the Connellsville regions which has been slumping off for two weeks past. Lay-off days were numerous throughout the region last week and this and many ovens went out of blast, because the consumers were overstocked.

Since the situation between the miners' union and operators has assumed such strained relations demand for coke has again picked up. Orders have been given in all quarters to store coal and coke. The United States Steel Corporations is in better shape for coal than the independent mills and manufacturers. They can use coal from the Connellsville district in their mills if forced to. Eastern consumers of anthracite are making inquiry for coke this week.

MISS CROSMAN TONIGHT.

Will Appear in "As You Like It" at Colonial Theatre.

Miss Henrietta Crosman in Shakespeare's comedy, "As You Like It," will be at the Colonial Theatre this evening. She came in from Washington, Pa., this afternoon. A big house will undoubtedly greet Miss Crosman, whose phenomenal New York runs made her famous throughout the United States.

Special street railway service has been arranged by Manager R. W. Singer after the performance this evening for out of town patrons.

HOSPITAL BURNED.

While Female Patient Was Being Operated On.

Benford, Me., March 14.—The Trull hospital was destroyed by fire today. The patients were successfully removed. A female patient, being operated on while the fire was burning was removed to a nearby building when it was no longer possible to remain in the building. The operation was resumed and she is in a precarious condition and not expected to survive. Two other patients are also in a critical condition as a result of the excitement and exposure.

STRUCK BY NO. 15.

Harnedsville Man Fatally Injured at Confluence This Afternoon.

John Goeller, a resident of Harnedsville, was struck by train No. 15 at Confluence today. He was about to cross the track or was walking along it and did not notice the approach of the express which hurled him some distance when he was struck.

The crew put Goeler aboard the train and brought him to the Connellsville hospital, where he is in a critical condition. His injuries are likely to prove fatal.

Bean Guessing Contest.

Placed in R. M. Hunt's display window on North Pittsburg street is a jar filled with beans, for which a prize of $5.00 will be given Monday morning, March 21, at 10 o'clock, to the person guessing the nearest number of beans in the two jars. Five votes will be given any person making a purchase, while any one person not making a purchase will be given one vote.

Another Hotel Destroyed.

Corry, Pa., March 14.—[Special.]—The Hotel Bradford at Salamanca was destroyed by fire last night. The guests escaped without injury, some losing all their effects. An overheated furnace caused the fire. The loss, estimated at $10,000.

SCOTTDALE'S CLAIMS.

B. H. Boyd Will Be Candidate for the Assembly at the Coming Republican Primaries.

Scottdale, March 14.—An interesting bit of political news for this end of Westmoreland county is the announcement made here this morning that Berkey H. Boyd, one of the most progressive young business men of town, will be a candidate for nomination for the Assembly at the coming Republican primaries.

Scottdale has strong claims for a representative and Mr. Boyd has a large circle of friends who are determined that Scottdale shall have something in the way of office in the new districting. Over 1,000 votes are in the thriving mill town.

Mr Boyd has for years been a member of the Republican county committee of the Third Ward, and has always been an active worker in politics. He will make his official announcement just as soon as the time for such announcement arrives.

SIGNIFCANT TURN

In the Railroad Rate Investigation Has Developed.

Washington, March 14.—[Special.] An interesting and significant fact has developed in the railroad rate situation. In the Senate Aldrich, representing the element desiring an inspection of the amendments in the Hepburn bill to insure full review by the courts of the rate decisions rendered by the Interstate Commerce Commission, has notified the other side that they desire to vote. This of course means that he and his colleagues are confident of having votes enough to write into the Hepburn bill the amendments they want. Aldrich's challenge has not been accepted and it begins to look as if the opponents to omit the review proposition realize the the other side are sparring for time.

URIAH DULL'S FUNERAL.

Impressive Services at Late Home on Monday Evening.

The funeral services held Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock over the remains of the late Uriah Dull at his late residence on Cedar avenue were impressive. The attendance was large. Rev. W. V. Barnhart, pastor of the United Brethren Church, assisted by Rev. M. A. Rigg, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, officiated. Many handsome floral emblems were sent by his friends as a token of esteem.

The following were the pall bearers: R. A. Hamilton, W. S. Schenck, P. R. DeMuth, M. Cunningham, J. A. DeMuth and J. A. Fleming. The remains were interred in Chestnut Hill cemetery at 10 o'clock.

REBEL LEADER BEHEADED.

Chinese Punish Men Who Attacked American Missionary.

Hongkong, March 14.—[Special.]—The Chinese authorities have extradited and beheaded Kwangsi, the rebel leader, and three other men who were implicated in the attack made on the home of Dr. Andrew Beattie, the American missionary at Fatl. In the attack made on the missionary station the missionaries were bound by robbers and their clothing, watches and silver valued at $1,000 was taken.

Injured at Juniataville.

John Colock was brought to the hospital last night suffering with a dislocated hip. He was injured in the mines of the Juniataville Coke Company. His injuries are not serious.

Retired on Pension.

George W. Dougherty, 70 years old, a veteran employe of the Pennsylvania railroad, has been retired on a pension. Dougherty had worked for the company 35 years.

RIGHT TO FIX RATES.

Senator Simmons Asserts That Congress Certainly Has That Power.

FREIGHT RATES MUCH TOO HIGH

Have Been Increased in Insidious Manner by Changing Classification of Commodities—Shippers and Localities Discriminated Against.

Washington, March 14.—Before taking up the railroad rate question the senate passed a number of bills some of which were of considerable importance. One of them provides for the punishment of government officials for the premature divulgence of secret information of government bureaus in such matters as the crop report.

Mr. Simmons made the only speech of the day on the railroad rate question. He announced his support of the house measure but said he would not oppose reasonable modifications.

Mr. Tillman announced that after today he would seek to have the rate bill taken up for consideration each day immediately after disposing of the routine business of the senate instead of waiting until 2 o'clock.

Mr. Simmons gave practically all his attention to the right of congress to confer upon the interstate commerce commission the power to fix rates, contending that such a right exists beyond question. He asserted, contrary to the contentions of Mr. Lodge, Mr. Foraker and other opponents of the pending bill, that "existing transportation rates are in many instances unjust and unreasonably high, and that unfair and ruinous discriminations are practiced against individuals and localities."

How Rates Are Raised.

He said that this was true, notwithstanding the declaration of the railroads that there have been very slight changes in recent years in the rates charged under the six great classes into which freights are subdivided. "That fact, if it be a fact, would show," he said, "that the freights actually paid by producers and shippers have not been increased. What it would show, and all that it would show, is that if rates have been increased, they have not been increased by the open and above board process of raising these class charges. As a matter of fact, shown by railroad statistics themselves, as well as by reports of the interstate commerce commission, railroad rates have been increased and largely increased during the last six years, not by the process of raising the specific rate of schedule on commodities, but by the more insidious method of commodity reclassification."

Makes Specific Charges.

Becoming more specific in his charge he said: "Beginning with the year 1900, hundreds and even thousands of articles have been reclassified by raising them from a lower to a higher priced class in the various orders promulgated by the railroads into the several divisions into which they have divided, for this purpose, the whole country. In one classification, known as order No. 30, issued early in that year and applying to northern and eastern traffic, there were nearly 800 reclassifications, of which 572 were increases and only six reductions. By another reclassification order made in the same year and known as order No. 30 and applying to western business, 257 reclassifications were made of which 240 were increases and only 17 reductions, while by order No. 35 applying to southern traffic made in the same year, out of 036 reclassifications, 591 were increases.

Where They Please the Public.

"Considering all reclassifications made during those years it may be that the number of articles actually raised did not greatly exceed the number nominally reduced, but the relative number of articles raised or reduced is comparatively unimportant. The significant fact is the commercial importance of the articles so raised or reduced and the resultant increase or decrease in the cost of their transportation. Examination conclusively shows that the commodities reduced compared with those increased in those years are not only relatively of little commercial importance but that the percentage of the reduction in rates on articles reduced is far below the percentage of increase in rates on articles increased."

Workingmen Will Protest

New York, March 14.—The Industrial Workers of the World, the new labor organization, and the Socialist Labor party will hold a parade and protest mass meeting tonight in an endeavor to arouse sentiment in favor of the officials of the Western Federation of Miners, who were arrested in connection with the murder of former Gov. Steunenberg of Idaho. The parade will move in three sections from different parts of the city to Union square, where speeches in English, German, Italian and Yiddish will be made.

Korean Torture Alleged Thief.

Honolulu, March 14.—Five Koreans on the island of Hawaii have been accused of a murder of unusual atrocity. Their victim was a fellow countryman, suspected of stealing $50. He was beaten and cut and when he fainted his captors revived him with wine, resuming the tortures when he was strong enough. Salt is said to have been placed in his wounds. He died when a fire was kindled under his body.

WAS FINE INSTITUTE.

Rousing Gathering of Teachers at Springfield on Monday.

Normalville, March 14.—A rousing local institute was held by the teachers of Springfield township in the Normalville M. E. Church Saturday afternoon and evening. The afternoon session opened at 1.30 o'clock, being presided over by Prof. C. H Brooks, principal of the Normalville schools. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. S. W. Bryan, who afterwards delivered a hearty address of welcome. Prof. L. G. Chorpenning responded in a few well chosen remarks. Prof. Chester Murray delivered a choice recitation entitled "Annie Laurie." He was encored and recited "The British Redcoats." Dr. Randall Zimmerman read an interesting paper, choosing as his subject, "The Present and Ancient Discipline of Our Common School System." Prof. Chester Murray delivered his popular talk, "The Extent of the Teachers' Responsibility."

The evening session opened at 7.30 o'clock, George W. Campbell presiding. Prof. L. G. Chorpenning delivered a talk on "Some Other Lessons." Able addresses were delivered by Attorneys H. S. Dumbauld, John Q. Van Swearingen and Prof. Chester Murray. Both afternoon and evening sessions were liberally interspersed with music and queries. Able music was furnished by Kiferle's orchestra of Connellsville. Miss Katheryn C. Miller acted as secretary and Ralph C. Miller as query manager. The ushers were Don D. Brooks, Benjamin H. Campbell and Ira S. Brooks. The house was fairly crowded at the afternoon session, while in the evening the house was crowded to its utmost capacity. Much interest was shown in the school work and it will be a day long to be remembered by all in attendance. Teachers present were Misses Aggie Miner, Carrie Styer, Nettie Miller, Florence Pfinkey, Katharyne Miller, Katharyne Campbell, and Lloyd Mountain, C. H. Brooks, Lyman Miller, C. K. and Harold Brooks and Ira Brooks. Five directors were present as follows: H. K. Brooks, Samuel P. Miller, John H. Nicholson, John H. Pfinkey and Joshua Miller.

An intermediate class will also be taught at the Normal school. The school will be a good one and a big one. The promises already secured assures us that the Normalville Normal will be second to none.

Mrs. George W. Campbell returned Saturday evening from Greensburg, where she spent a week with her son, Clyde S., who is recuperating from a severe attack of pneumonia.

After March 15 The Aaron Company will be in their new building.

Monday morning Mrs. Geo. W. Leichliter was operated on for hernia in one of the Pittsburg hospitals. Reports received convey the cheerful intelligence that she stood the ordeal very well.

The protracted meeting which has been in progress in the U. B. Church for several weeks still continues and is growing in interest. About twenty conversions and several still seeking at the altar.

J. C. Begley, formerly editor of the Fayette Republican, mingled with his many friends in Normalville Monday and Tuesday. He is now a deputy sheriff under his brother, Wm. C. Begley, sheriff of Somerset county.

Miss Florence B. Reid of East Pittsburg after a few days' pleasant visit in Normalville, returned home Sunday.

Bern T. Miller, a student in the W. U. P., at Pittsburg was home Saturday and was an interested attendant of the institute.

Dr. Randall was a Pittsburg visitor Sunday and Monday.

Ex-Sheriff A. J. Coleman of Somerset spent a day in Normalville looking after matters of business.

C. E. Sharpless of Johnstown is stopping at the Brooks House. He is familiarizing himself with the lay of matters in this section.

Try our Classified ads. It pays.

Miss Bertha Pore of Star Junction, Gilbert Brooks, Everson, Carl Morrow of Scottdale, Earle Sherbondy of Dawson, Edward Minder, a teacher of Franklin township, A. J. Enos, a Bullskin township teacher, Clarence Brooks of Connellsville, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Pletcher of Valley Mills, Misses Luella and Francis Sparks of Indian Head, John Craig and William Sawyer of Saltlick and B. F. Steyer of Clay Run were among those from a distance who took in the institute. Your "scribe" failed to get the names of all the strangers in attendance.

Mont Patterson, who has been visiting here for a week left for his home at Hillards, Butler county, Monday, and was accompanied by his sister, Mrs. Peter M. Bungard, who will visit her parents and other relatives there for a few weeks.

Normalville at last has secured the kind of a blacksmith she has been after for years. His name is Wesley J. McClain and he fills the bill to a "T." He is attentive, accommodating and for fine and neat workmanship he is not excelled in the county.

It seems winter is just coming in. This Tuesday morning snow is about six inches deep, with the "beautiful" still falling copiously. 'Tis possible we may have sledding.

Our next serial story, "The Two Vanrevels," by Booth Tarkington, will begin Thursday.

Pinehurst, Tampa, Palm Beach.

Southern Pines and all winter resorts of the Carolinas, Florida, Nassau and Cuba best reached via Washington and Seaboard Air Line Railway. Three through trains daily with dining cars and Pullman sleepers. The shortest and quickest route with most attractive stopover points en route. For booklet and information address R. H. Stansell, T. P. A., 1421 Pennsylvania avenue, Washington, D. C.

CHURCH DEDICATION.

Methodist Episcopal Edifice at Confluence to Be Formally Opened

ON SUNDAY, MARCH THE 18TH.

Windows Donated by Prominent Members of the Congregation Are Works of Art—Church on the Whole Is a Handsome One.

Confluence, March 13.—Those that attend the dedicatory services of the new Methodist Episcopal Church will behold windows that have been spoken of in the columns of this paper. The one that has not yet been spoken of fully is the Augustine Memorial. It is the one representing "Christ the Good Shepherd." The figure in the center panel is superfine, beautifully draped, most exquisite, entrancing, the visage is sweet and winning, the upward glance, the head with all its fine lines, surrounded with a halo of glory; in the hand is the shepherd's crook, the sheep and lovely lambs are all around.

The background is also in harmony with the whole scene. There is the water, the hills, the setting sun, the lovely tree, and all that is necessary to make the picture one of the finest. The light and sun bring out the richness of the scene. The artist has put his entire soul and genius into it. No matter when seen it is lovely. It is impossible to describe it. On the name plate of glass, as on a scroll, are these words. "Daniel and Mary Augustine." This is the gift of Miss M. Augustine, Addison, Pa., their daughter. As one looks at this superb scene they are reminded of the sayings of the Christ as found in John's Gospel, chapter 10: "I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd layeth down his life for the sheep," and also of the truths clustering around this thought in connection with their fulfillment. How true they are, and what a Christ is He! Indeed, He is the good shepherd! What a sermon in the window!

This church has not only beautiful windows. It also has elegant, comfortable pews. These are made of quartered oak. The ends are Romanesque in style, in keeping with the rest of the church. They have places for books, etc. On the seats are green plush, corduroy cushions. They will seat between 250 and 300. There are two center aisles and one all around, making the seats easy of access. The pews are the gift of Jasper Augustine, Uniontown, Pa., in memory of his father and mother, Daniel and Mary Augustine, as the plate so states. For these and other gifts the members are very grateful, but in order to raise the amount needed to pay all indebtedness there will have to be some hustling done on that day, coming Sunday, March 18, when the church will be dedicated.

After March 15 The Aaron Company will be in their new building.

Every voter in the borough is invited to come to the bank building Saturday evening, March 17, at the newly elected officers wish to show their appreciation of the vote they received. The voters are invited to come and partake of a dish of ice cream, some oysters or anything else on the newly elected borough officials free.

Dr. Ross Bowman, newly elected Burgess, who has been holding up the order granted by Council on S. P. Spitznagle's appeal from the $5 fine imposed on him last April, changed his mind and signed the order today and Spitznagle is now O. K.

Mrs. Wish Linginfield, who has been very ill for several months with consumption, died Tuesday at ten o'clock and will be interred in the Jersey cemetery.

Thomas Kelly, the railroad man who went South for his health, is reported very low, according to a letter received from his wife today. She is at his bedside.

See Henrietta Crosman in "As You Like It" at the Colonial Theatre tonight.

SEEKS ABSOLUTE DIVORCE

Separation of Annie Gould and Count Boni Irrevocable.

Paris, March 14.—Countess Boni de Castellane, accompanied by Edmond Kelly, her lawyer, appeared before Judge Dite, president of the civil tribunal of the Seine, and asked for permission to amend her application for a separation from her husband so that the decree will give her an absolute divorce. The application asked for a separate domicile and custody of the children pending the legal procedure.

Judge Dite, before finally deciding, complied with the usual formality of requiring the husband and wife to appear together for the purpose of interrogating them concerning the possibility of a reconciliation. The latter will fulfill the legal requirements but it is not expected to yield favorable results as the families are fully determined to terminate their union.

Their joint appearance before the court will occur in four or five days and immediately thereafter an amended bill will be filed and a writ will be served on the same grounds as previously, the only change being a petition that the bonds of matrimony be dissolved.

ROCKWOOD

Bright Paragraphs from the Big Somerset County Borough.

Rockwood, March 14.—William Wadsworth of Cumberland, Md., was in town yesterday selling shoes for an Allentown firm. He claims to be a distant relative of our Wadsworths living in town.

David Short, who was many years ago a resident of this place, turned up in town yesterday. Although Mr. Short is getting to be an aged man, he is still very active.

J. C. McSpadden made his usual trip to Pittsburg in company with General W. H. Koontz and D. J. Horner of Somerset, all of whom were registered at the Monongahela House Monday night.

Adam A. Baker of Black township made a business visit to Stoystown yesterday.

Mrs. A. H. Bittner returned from Allegheny Monday evening after spending a week visiting friends and relatives in the two cities.

E. T. Bachtell, the Wabash engineer, who has been lying at the Hentz Hotel for the past several weeks suffering with pneumonia, has sufficiently recovered to be removed tomorrow or Friday to his home in Hagerstown, Md.

One Cent a Word.

That is all it costs to advertise in our want column. Try it.

Wasted Lives in Connellsville

Men and Women Who Are in Need of a Helping Hand—A. A. Clark Offers Way to Better Things.

There is no more irritating or nerve-racking condition than that caused by a weak stomach. It gnaws and wears upon every nerve fibre in the body and results in sleeplessness, headache, backache, rheumatic pains, furred tongue, distress after eating, poor appetite and general weakness and debility.

As we may look to a weakened stomach for most of the chronic or lingering ills that weaken and rack our lives, it is of the greatest importance to know that a remedy for stomach troubles is at last offered by a reliable drug firm in Connellsville under a guarantee that it costs nothing unless it cures.

A. A. Clark, knowing the formula of Mi-o-na, feels that it will be successful in every case where it is used in accordance with directions, that is, one tablet before each meal, and he offers to sell it under an absolute guarantee to refund the money if it does not cure.

A large box of Mi-ona tablets costs but 50 cents, if it helps you; nothing unless it restores health.

Latest Connellsville Sensation.

Ladies of Connellsville and vicinity are respectfully invited to call at the Yough House on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 19, 20, 21 and 22, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 5 P. M., and view the grand showing of new spring and summer models and materials that the Ladies' Custom Skirt Company of Pittsburg will have on display. The foregoing is of interest to every lady, as she has the rare opportunity of seeing the advanced styles and fabrics for the coming season. J. M. Dellefield, expert designer and cutter of ladies' garments, will have charge and shall be pleased to give each lady a full explanation of the styles which will prevail. He will be prepared to take measures for skirts and suits from those desiring to place their order. Many ladies of Connellsville have their garments made by the Ladies' Custom Skirt Company, and they are desirous of making more friends. If you cannot call, telephone Mr. Dellefield, at the hotel and he will be pleased to call on you. mch14-16-17-19.

"The Two Vanrevels."

TAFT RAPS BOSSISM.

With Roosevelt He Accepts Membership in Cincinnati Anti-Cox Club.

GIVES REMARKABLE ADVICE

Says Party Regularity Is a Good Thing, But—Municipal Politics Has No Natural Relation to National. Rejoices at Cox's Defeat.

Cincinnati, March 14.—President Theodore Roosevelt and William H. Taft were last night unanimously elected honorary members of the Roosevelt Republican club of this city. This club is a new organization formed after the recent election as an instrument for the maintenance of a Republican organization, "opposed to bossism and machine politics."

In a long letter of acceptance of the honor for himself and President Roosevelt, Secretary Taft makes some striking statements. Referring to the recent defeat of George B. Cox as a political leader in this city, the secretary says that this a great step toward good municipal government, "but its benefit may be largely lost if the people pat themselves on the back with the pleasant idea that the machine is broken up and that the future will take care of itself. The truth is that the victory will be worse than fruitless unless some means are devised to make its effects permanent. It is idle to hope that people may be aroused at every political contest to defeat machine slates unless there are counter organizations made up of young men actuated by the patriotic desire to select only good candidates."

He advises against the club becoming a "better than thou" association, which he says would defeat its own object by its exclusiveness and lack of practical sense. Continuing he says:

"The assistance of men of honesty and character who were associated, more or less, with the machine when it seemed all powerful, but really rejoice now at what seems its downfall, ought not to be rejected if you find it offered in good faith.

"The members of such a club as the Roosevelt club, although an orthodox Republican organization, may very well decline to support the candidates of its own party, if such candidates are plainly lacking in the qualifications according to the standard which they may properly set for the selection of public officers. Still it is well to use a wise discretion in bolting. The important question will always be in what way you can secure and exercise the greatest influence for good, and you cannot afford in practical politics (and there is no other politics) to ignore the strength which adherence to regularity gives you as a club in working reforms within the party.

"The conduct of municipal affairs has no natural relation to the conduct of national affairs, and while it does not seem possible to eliminate from municipal elections the system of nominating party tickets, there ought certainly be cultivated a much wider spirit of independence at municipal elections in the scratching of improper candidates selected by either party than is likely to be ever exercised with reference to state or national elections."

PATTISON GIVEN FREE HAND

Herrick's Recess Appointments Are Turned Down by Ohio Senate.

Columbus, O., March 14.—A caucus of the Democratic senators has decided to relieve all committees of the recess appointments of Gov. Herrick at once and reject the entire list of appointments—Democrats and Republicans alike. There are 68 such appointments pending. The rejection of the appointments will leave Gov. Pattison free to make new appointments as soon as he wishes, the present incumbent holding on until he does so.

Among the most important offices that will thus be made vacant, are these: State railroad commissioner, state labor commissioner, state shop inspector, state care of soldier claims, state insurance commissioner, state fire marshal, state printer and the two state oil inspectorships.

The only Democrat who will be thus removed from a remunerative office is J. W. Dover of Urichsville, father of Elmer Dover and a trustee of the Mansfield reformatory. The other Democrats who will fall by this decision are members of institution boards.

Henderson Waives Extradition.

New York, March 14.—Charles A. Henderson, former premier of the defunct International Mercantile agency, has waived extradition and started for Wheeling, W. Va., in custody. Henderson was indicted at Wheeling on the charge of swindling in the sale of stock.

Roosevelt Party Patents Name.

Harrisburg, March 14.—Papers have been filed in the prothonotary's office here by five residents of Pittsburg preempting the name "Roosevelt" as a party appellation for the nomination of candidates for state and local offices in Pennsylvania.

Canal Zone Free From Fever.

Panama, March 14.—Col. Gorgas, chief sanitary officer of the canal zone, transmitted to Governor Magoon his report for the month of February. In that month no case of yellow fever or other quarantinable disease occurred within the canal zone.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live Local News from All Parts of the Town.

Now the Ground Hog days are waning,
And again will come sweet spring,
With its sunshine brightly beaming
Over earth and everything;
When the people will be needing
Lumber, pickets, lath and post,
Bricks, cement and blocks for paving,
And of other of things a host;
And they'll question where to purchase;
But the answer won't be hard;
For each one will tell his neighbor,
Try "The Old Yough Lumber Yard."

Front street, New Haven, where is kept everything needed in construction of buildings.

Mrs. Charles Rathburn of Dickerson Run was among the out-of-town guests in town Tuesday.

Miss Joe Grace of Allegheny was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Grace, at Morgan Station over Sunday.

After March 15 The Aaron Company will be in their new building.

Reginald Palmer, treasurer of the Dunbar Furnace Company, was in town today.

Mrs. W. R. Jones of Wilkinsburg is here on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome McCormick, Fayette street.

Do not be deceived; insist on getting Leader flour.

M. H. Bowman, cashier of the National Bank of Fayette County, and R. F. Hopwood, Esq., and Lawrence L. Minor, Esq., of the Fayette county bar, were Connellsville visitors this morning.

Irwin Smith of Smithton was in town Tuesday on business.

Garden tools are in demand. Get them at Schell's.

Deputy Revenue Collector J. M. Murtland was in town Tuesday on business.

See Henrietta Crosman in "As You Like It" at the Colonial Theatre tonight.

Mrs. Edward O'Bryon of Dickerson Run was in town Tuesday on a little shopping trip.

Children's vocal class Saturdays at my studio, 403 First National Bank Building. Send for circular, etc. J. L. Rodrigues.

Miss Elsie Kerr, collector for the Bell Telephone Company, was at Dawson Tuesday afternoon on business.

Miss Stella Lincoln has returned to her home after a pleasant visit with friends and relatives in town.

NEW HAVEN.

Local Matters from the Sister Borough Across the Youghiogheny.

Miss Anna Johnson, a teacher in the New Haven public schools, is ill at her home on Sixth street. Miss Margaret Morrison, a member of the senior class, is teaching during Miss Johnson's absence.

Mrs. R. Koontz and little granddaughter Margaret, of Uniontown, are the guests of Mrs. Frank Kincell of Greenwood.

Mrs. Philip McGrogan and little daughter Bernadette, of Leisenring No. 1, went to Sewickley Tuesday morning, where they will be the guest of friends for a few days.

The semi-monthly meeting of the Clionian Literary Society will be held Friday afternoon in the school hall on Seventh street.

Matthew Welsh of Tug River, W. Va., is visiting friends in town.

J. R. Smith and Irwin Smith and son Claude, of Smithton, were the guests of Henry Rhodes of Main street Tuesday. They were on their return from a fishing trip near Morgantown. They brought with them a 24 pound pike.

E. E. Pierce, the upholsterer, has moved his family from Ninth street to Eighth street, Greenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Reading Bunting of Pittsburg have returned home after a visit at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Hay, of Tenth street.

The members of the senior class are taking their final examination in English history today. Prof. Yoder, vice principal of the Leisenring High School, is giving the examination.

Miss Retta Moore of the Hill has returned home from a two weeks' visit with friends and relatives at Brownsville.

J. L. Smith of Pittsburg was in town Monday on business.

THE NEWS OF DUNBAR.

Miss Mayme Smitley and David S. Leapline Married Thursday.

TENEMENT HOUSES ARE SCARCE

Bright Local and Personal Chat and Brief Paragraphs Picked Up by The Courier's Correspondent in the Furnace Town.

Dunbar, March 14.—Miss Mayme Smitley and David S. Leapline were this afternoon at 3 o'clock united in marriage at the M. E. parsonage, the Rev. J. N. Munden performing the ceremony. While the groom's home is in Greenwood, he is well known here he having formerly resided at this place. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Leapline and now holds a lucrative position at the car shops of the H. C. Frick Coke Company at Everson. The bride is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Smitley. After the young couple were united in marriage they went to the home of the bride where there was in waiting for them a grand dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Leapline left on the evening train for Pittsburg, where they will visit during the remainder of the week returning to this place where they will for the present reside at the bride's home. Later they expect to locate in Scottdale. The happy couple have a large circle of friends here who wish for them a bright and prosperous future as they go hand in hand over the sea of life.

After March 15 The Aaron Company will be in their new building.

Harry L. Smith, who on last Sunday reached his 36th birthday, gave a dinner at his home on Railroad street in honor of the occasion. There were invited in to join with him in the celebration a few of his near friends and relatives.

On March the 12th there arrived at the home Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Morrison twins, a boy and a girl.

J. W. Boyer, who formerly conducted a small grocery store here but who sold out to Harper Brothers some months ago, will now embark into the oil business here.

"The Two Vanrevels."

The New Haven & Dunbar Railroad Company is daily expecting the arrival of a new engine to be used in the yards of the Dunbar Furnace Company. The new industries and their rapidly increasing business have made the purchasing of a new engine necessary.

See Henrietta Crosman in "As You Like It" at the Colonial Theatre tonight.

Dunbar is at present experiencing a scarcity of houses, or at least the people who desire houses here are experiencing great difficulty in securing them. Any one who would erect a number of houses for renting would no doubt find it a paying investment.

A big baby boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Cole on Monday evening.

W. M. Crowley, B. & O. fineman, was up from New Haven yesterday looking after the condition of the wires at this place.

Quite a number of foreigners left here yesterday for Star Junction, where they have secured employment.

The following letters remained at the postoffice for the week ending on March 13: H. T. Toby, Charles White, Miss Mary Martin and Henry Johnson.

F. J. Donnelly was up from Connellsville yesterday transacting some matters of business.

S. Silverman, who conducts a clothing store at this place, is moving with his family from Uniontown into a house on Railroad street.

J. W. Abraham, formerly of this place but now of Uniontown, was transacting some matters of business in Dunbar Tuesday.

William Wareham of Altoona was calling among the business men in Dunbar yesterday.

Our next serial story. "The Two Vanrevels," by Booth Tarkington, will bebin Thursday.

SUNNYSIDE MEETING.

J. J. Barnhart Writes of the Union Chapel at That Place.

Sunny Side, March 13.—The meeting at the Summit has closed and it was a perfect success under the leadership of Brother A. R. Seaman, one who worked most faithfully to make it a success. Mr. Seaman carried the meeting on for five or six weeks, coming here from South Connellsville every night. He came when many thought it would be impossible for him to get here, but he persevered until there was a membership of 61.

I saw in a recent issue of The Courier an article which I don't propose to criticise, but would like to make an explanation so that no one may be mislead. In 1881 I purchased of Jacob Henderson a farm and on it was a store room, which was used by the contractors who made the cut through the farm. Joseph Cropp and I. F. Stoner came to me and offered to purchase the room for the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. I told the gentlemen that I would not sell it for that purpose, but would donate the house and ground for all Orthodox denominations to preach in, but in no case could there be any denominational organization. So the article was drawn up and Joseph Cropp, I. F. Stoner and Mart Stoner as trustees raised the money, repaired the room and placed seats in it. It has been a place of worship ever since, a union Sunday school meeting there regularly and it has been supported by young and old alike.

Brother Seaman came here about 13 or 14 years ago and undertook to have an organization and failed. He returned about five years ago and all that he asked was his car fare. When he commenced his meetings here he gave out that he wanted to save souls and the converts could choose for themselves what church they wanted to join. But towards the close of the meetings he changed his notion and wanted an organization, which was contrary to the article of agreement. Instead he was offered a Union organization the same as it had been heretofore and I suppose that was what led Brother Seaman to write the article in The Courier. He also said that Mr. C. E. Reed had been coming out here a little. Mr. Reed came here over seven years ago, with Mr. Enterline, once secretary of the Y. M. C. A., and since that time he has also been coming here every two weeks.

While we feel grateful to Mr. Seaman and Mr. Reed I feel that we have fulfilled out contract. Mr. Seaman only asked for his car fare and I think he got a great deal more, as he took up a collection almost every time he came.

If Rev. Seaman discontinues his visits here it will be on his own account as the people do not desire him to do so, as they have not discharged him, but wish him well.

James J. Barnhart.

Florida and California Resorts.

Southern Pines, Pinehurst, Camden, Jacksonville, Palm Beach, Miami, Tampa and Havana are the best and most quickly reached via. Washington and Seaboard Air Line Railway. Three daily trains including the Seaboard Florida Limited, a magnificent all-Pullman, electric lighted train. Tourist tickets allow stop-overs. For information and resort booklets address R. H. Stansell, T. P. A., 1421 Penna. ave., Washington, D. C.

Special.

See Artman's window. Domestic china at 5c each, worth double the money.

Another lot at only 19c, worth from 25c to 35c each.

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Advertising rates on application.

Any irregularities or carelessness in the delivery of The Courier to items by the carriers in Connellsville or our agents in other towns should be reported to this office at once.

STATEMENT OF CIRCULATION.

State of Pennsylvania, county of Fayette, ss:

Before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public within and for said county and State, personally appeared John H. Litmer, who being duly sworn according to law, did depose and say:

That he is foreman of the press room of The Courier, a daily newspaper published in Connellsville, Pa., and that the number of papers printed and circulated during the week ending Saturday, March 10, was as follows:

March 5	5,018
March 6	4,969
March 7	4,977
March 8	5,037
March 9	5,080
March 10	5,195

That the daily circulation by months since January 1, 1905, has been as follows:

Month.	Total.	D.Av.
January	94,784	3,848
February	100,803	4,202
March	120,422	4,880
April	111,343	4,459
May	118,914	4,848
June	113,614	4,577
July	109,393	4,378
August	111,872	4,285
September	118,042	4,541
October	118,705	4,857
November	116,147	4,840
December	115,552	4,621
January, 1906	127,238	4,712
February	118,852	4,953

And further saveth not.

JOHN H. LITMER.

Sworn to and subscribed to before me this 12th day of March, 1906.

JOHN KURTZ, Notary Public.

WEDNESDAY EVG, MARCH 14, 1906.

THE BALL-AND-CHAIN.

Scottdale's new burgess has resurrected the ball-and-chain to ornament the prisoner's pent when they are lent to the work of cleaning streets, in order to satisfy the demands of justice in the absence of the customary cash fine. Burgess Ferguson believes in a cash road tax, but when the cash is not forthcoming he does not feel at liberty to remit the borough's didim. He has, therefore, decided that it must be worked out.

The ball-and-chain is an incident to the work. There are so many caged birds who have such a violent aversion to manual labor that the burgess deems it best to anchor them to their tasks lest they should be blown out of their true course and get lost in the mists of mad and precipitate flight.

Connellsville at one time inaugurated a similar reform, but it did not extend further than the purchase of the ball-and-chain equipment. The cause of common humanity melted the stern front of justice into the seraphic smile that betrays the tender heart, and the streets have continued to be cleaned by the taxpayers instead of the tramps.

OVERHEATED.

In rather heated terms, The News objects to a statement published by The Courier yesterday of a leading business man of Connellsville denying certain assertions made concerning his private affairs in the columns of our esteemed contemporary. The Courier has assumed no responsibility for any of these statements. The News would have been wiser had it emulated our example.

Connellsville people know that the City Editor of The Courier is not a "newspaper shyster," and that the merchant referred to is not a "Cheap John." The Courier did not issue a special edition for the Aaron statement it went in the regular city edition.

Such idle epithets and idle inventions have not strengthened The News' case before the bar of public opinion.

Much of the court business seems to arise from our foreign population, who have acquired a fondness for litigation, especially in the criminal courts.

The formal taking over of the Southwest Pennsylvania railroad by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company means that hereafter the Southwest will be operated in the interest of the Pennsylvania railroad and not for the private gain of some of its chief officers and their friends.

A notable feature of the present anti-trust agitation is the glibness with which college presidents tell the world how to manage big corporations. Most managers of big corporations are not even college graduates, much less college presidents. They are men who have graduated in the hard but thorough school of experience. They are not men of books, but trained specialists in business, capable of accomplishing results. They are, in short, practical not theoretical men. The world of business so regards them and passes by even as the idle wind the iridescent dreams of college professors.

Thomas Jefferson Davis, who is contesting the election of Burgess Abel of Fairchance, couldn't have a more determined Democratic name, but it is expected that the burgess will be Abel to hold his own against it. The original Jefferson Davis made a very decent contest for Abe Lincoln's place, but the latter was an able man too.

The Fairchance election contest develops the fact that the Democrats are voting for "Jeff" Davis yet.

If you see it in The News maybe you're mistaken.

A Blue Grass poet sings sweetly of the manifold attractions of his State as follows:

Kentucky, oh, Kentucky, how I love
thy classic shades,
Where flit the fairy figures of bright-eyed Southern maids;
Where the birds are sweetly singing 'mid the flowers newly born;
Where the corn is full of kernels and the Colonels full of corn.

There is a license in poetry that is by common consent permissable, but there is no license in moonshine whisky and no limit to a Kentucky Colonel's storage capacity for the same.

Bigger guns and bigger battleships are demanded by naval experts of the nations. Peace is becoming almost as expensive as war.

The new trolley schedule is a pretty little book, but it doesn't make the South Side cars travel any oftener. The management of the trolley company say that the frequency of service is regulated by the patronage. The public cannot expect the cars to go any faster, but we would suggest that perhaps more frequent service within the borough limits would be more satisfactory to all concerned.

Dowie's wife seems to be a better Dowiette than the Prophet himself.

It is hard to conceive that an intelligent and civilized man would ravish his own 10-year-old daughter, or that a mother should be so dead to shame as to concoct such a story and make it public for the sinister purpose of getting rid of her husband. The court evidently thought it safer to err on the side of mercy in the Brown case.

Big Bill Taft has given another evidence of the fact that he is opposed to boss politics. He will be a safe man on the Supreme Bench.

Scottdale's professional audit turned up something surprising. It costs money to turn the lime light of publicity on municipal accounts, but it is a profitable investment for the reason that it discloses dishonesty where it exists and keeps officials honest when they know their accounts have to undergo searching scrutiny at the hands of disinterested experts who are friends of nobody but the truth and enemies of nobody but dishonesty.

The police are mailing a determined effort to suppress murderous snowballing.

The dense ignorance of Standard Oil Company employes concerning Standard interests indicates that John D. has followed out the Scriptural injunction, "Let not thy right hand know what thy left hand doeth."

Burgess Soisson is trying to discourage the window smashers.

One of the most important committees of Connellsville's centennial celebration is the Historical Committee. Its work will last for all time, and its members appreciating this fact fully are working hard and conscientiously. They should receive the assistance and encouragement of every public spirited citizen in their task.

The Connellsville centennial should be adorned with all the graces of oratory and the Committee on Speakers are determined that it shall.

The Scottdale firemen propose to keep their quarters neat and clean and free from intrusion by loafers. Their example is a good one for the police to follow.

The News has discovered that Connellsville was originally known as Mud Island. The fact that the original survey of the land when it was patented was called by this name is set forth in the histories of Fayette county and has been repeatedly referred to in The Courier. Our esteemed contemporary's discovery, therefore, is a trifle tardy.

The court should deal gently with the two 'coons found guilty of stealing chickens. When the colored man and brother burgles a hen roost it's always a clear case of involuntary larceny.

The City Pride Committee should be continued in office until city pride is fully awakened, if it takes from now to the next centennial.

The State Game Wardens will have to call on the State Constabulary to assist them in enforcing the laws in the Italian colony employed on the Mountain Water Company's pipe line.

It's not safe to "sass" the court.

Dunbar's constabulary has not captured any burglars yet, but they have arrested some suspicious characters. It's always better to arrest a burglar before he burgles.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Live Local News From All Parts of the Town.

Clark Bishop of Cleveland, O, was in town today attending the funeral of his uncle, George Bishop He has just returned from an interesting trip through Jamaica and Porto Rico.

Schell s pure prepared paints

Mrs W H Clingerman was over from Scottdale Tuesday afternoon

Samuel Shupe Hixon of Ruffsdale and Miss Nellie L Poole of Waltz Mills went to Uniontown on Friday and took out a license to wed They will live at Ruffsdale, where the former is employed as a miller

After March 15 The Aaron Company will be in their new building

John K Ewing of Pittsburg has sold his house and lot on Shady Lane, or Pennsylvania avenue, Uniontown, to Frank H. Rosboro, for $16,750 This is one of the finest residence properties in that part of town and is surrounded by a large plot of ground running back to Redstone creek

See Henrietta Crosman in As You Like It' at the Colonial Theatre tonight.

James Amedd, the new proprietor of the Exchange Hotel, Uniontown, is be ginning a thorough renovation of the building and expects to have a number of guest rooms ready for use within a month The dining room will be entirely refitted and he intends to make it one of the finest in the county

If you paint you will need brushes We have the best Schell's

Charles Zimmerman and Josiah Speeht, two of the commissioners of Somerset county, were in Uniontown on Monday consulting with Architect Fulton and examining the interior of the court house with a view to getting pointers for their own temple of justice which is now being finished

Use Leador flour

The snow storm of Monday night did great damage to the telephone wires Lines were put of use from Uniontown to Pittsburg The Bell company s lines to Pittsburg were all out of order excepting one A great many local lines were not working yesterday All the Pittsburg lines from Connellsville Greensburg and Brownsville were out

Miss Almira Trump of Second street, New Haven left Wednesday for Marion, Somerset county She will spend a few days visiting her parents

Schell s pure prepared paints

Miss Mary Rankin of Canonsburg is here on a visit to friends and relatives

Miss Helen Carroll of Sixth street, New Haven was the guest of relatives at Dunbar Tuesday evening

Mrs John Conners of Pittsburg is visiting friends and relatives in town

Better let me make that Easter suit Prices from $16 up Dave Cohen tailor 211 North Pittsburg street

Miss Imogene Porter a student of the Maryland College at Lutherville, Md is spending a few days vacation with her parents, Captain and Mrs J R Porter

Rev and Mrs G A Flynn of Pittsburg are visiting at the home of Mrs Rebecca Davis on North Pittsburg street

White lead and linseed oil can be depended upon We sell both Schell s

Mr and Mrs P C Moore of Dawson were calling on friends in town Tuesday

Garden and field Seeds Schell's

Mrs James Scott of Dunbar was among the out of town shoppers here Tuesday

Miss Lucinda Brooks of Scottdale is visiting relatives in town this week

If you want good bread use Saxer flour

Miss Elizabeth Wilkey of South Pittsburg street returned home Tuesday evening from Buckhannon W Va where she has been the guest of her sister, Mrs Dora Benford for the past several weeks

Buggies wagons harness and farm machinery Get our prices Schell s

Miss Murphy of Scottdale was in town Tuesday evening attending the funeral services of the late Uriah Dull

Miss Bessie Huston was up from Dawson Tuesday afternoon on a little shopping trip

Dr C D Anderson dentist 202 20 Title & Trust Building city

Miss Mabel Miller of Sixth street New Haven went to Uniontown this morning to visit her sister, Mrs Clyde Biehm

Rubberoid Roofing, best for 15 years Schell Hardware Co distributors

Ruth Wilson who has been seriously ill at her home on Fairview avenue for the past several days, is much improved

See Henrietta Crosman in As You Like It' at the Colonial Theatre tonight

Harry Bell of the firm of W N Leche returned home from Pittsburg this morning on B & O train No 6

Schell's pure prepared paints

Miss Lucie Schell of Ambridge is here on a visit to relatives

BIG PUBLIC SALE.

To Be Held on March 17 by George May, South Pittsburg Street

George May will offer at public sale on Saturday, March 17 1906 at his home on South Pittsburg street Connellsville beginning at 1 o clock P M the following One bay team of horses 6 and 7 years old one gray team 3 and 8 years old one black mare 12 years old, one bay mare 11 years old three two horse wagons three stone beds three dirt beds three set of double harness collars bridles, halters, etc three carts two set bart harness two horse plow single and double cultivators one buggy, one pair hay ladders harrow double and single trees a lot of small articles too numerous to mention Col J. J. Barnhart will cry the sale.

VANDERBILT.

Personal Chat from the New Borough Down the Yough.

Vanderbilt March 14—Robert Maust, one of our well known citizens, left Tuesday morning for Ellsworth, where he has accepted a position as foreboss.

After March 15 The Aaron Company will be in their new building.

Caleb Kindall, a former citizen of this place but now residing in Baltimore is in town this week the guest of friends and relatives

Miss Iva Kelly Miss Nettie Lutz and Miss Johnie McWhirter of this place and John Hart of Connellsville spent Sunday at Hahnemanville, the guests of Mr and Mrs John Swops

Miss Cathleen Laughrey returned home Monday morning after a few days' visit with friends in Connellsville

Mrs. Nancy Heibert and daughter Miss Agnus, were in Connellsville the latter part of last week on a shopping tour.

Sanford McBurney, clerk in W J Rainey's store and who has been housed up for some time suffering from an attack of rheumatism, is able to resume his duties

J L French the well known painter, of East Liberty, was in Uniontown Sunday the guest of friends

Mr and Mrs. John Woodward of near town were shopping and calling on friends at New Haven Saturday last

Miss Aletha French of East Liberty was in Connellsville recently calling on friends

Miss Nell Lewis of near town was among the Connellsville shoppers on Monday.

See Henrietta Crosman in "As You Like It' at the Colonial Theatre tonight

Miss Anna Rowan and Miss Agnus Walters who are teaching school at Perryopolis, were Saturday and Sunday guests of their parents.

Monday afternoon three men were up before the Burgess charged with fighting and disorderly conduct After giving them a hearing, they were fined and upon payment of the same were discharged Tuesday morning one lonely prisoner appeared He plead guilty to the offense which he had committed which was making a noise and taking on too much red eye He left a forfeit

Mrs Benjamin McManus of East Liberty and sister Miss Mollie Hare of near town, were in Connellsville Monday calling on friends

Clyde Randolph of East Liberty went to Pittsburg Tuesday where he spent the day looking after some business matters

Mr and Mrs Terry McGovern of Pittsburg and Mrs Leslie Osborne of Wheeling W Va were at Dickerson Run Monday the guests of Mr and Mrs Edward Snyder

At a meeting of town Council held Monday evening Eli Nicola who has been serving as temporary policeman was elected to take the place made vacant by the resignation of Henry Barricklow There were about six applicants for the position The ballot ing was spirited from the beginning it requiring several ballots to settle the conquest

William Abbot was among those who were in Connellsville Tuesday evening on a mission of business

George Newmyer & Son received the first of the week a fine line of spring shirts

OHIOPYLE.

Notes from the Little Mountain Resort Up the Yough

Ohiopyle March 15—The following persons were looking after business matters at Confluence yesterday Jack Slagle Marshall Myers Frank Hall Albert McMunn and Martin Foreman

After March 15 The Aaron Company will be in their new building

T M Miller traveling salesman was calling on our merchants yesterday

John Bryner was transacting business in town yesterday

Prayer meeting services will be held in the Baptist Church this evening

"The Two Vanrevels"

Mrs C White and son Frank, were shopping in town yesterday

Mrs Thomas Anderson of Green Biler was shopping in Ohiopyle yesterday

Early yesterday morning Mr and Mrs C P Byte were presented with a baby boy and to say C P isn't proud is putting it mild

WON IN UNIONTOWN.

Casinos Defeated Keystones on Their Own Alleys Last Night

The Casino bowling team boys are happy today They succeeded in defeating the Keystones of Uniontown last night on their own alleys in the County Seat The Keystones are among the strongest bowlers in Southwestern Pennsylvania and a defeat at the hands of the Casinos last night was not expected Last week, however the Casinos defeated the Uniontown boys on the Casino alleys The score in detail last night is as follows

Casino			
Ritchie	171	190	149
Oppelman	110	120	172
Grimm	165	181	136
Forrney	152	171	186
Marietta	160	136	161
	759	798	797
Keystone			
Matthews	118	113	182
O Carroll	212	16	113
Frankenberry	173	147	174
McDonald	177	136	169
N Carroll	179	112	112
	817	753	730

Card of Thanks

The family of the late George Bishop wish to extend their appreciation for the kindness shown by their friends during their late bereavement.

Bohemian Girl Invited

Manager Fred Robbins of the Casino skating rink, has extended an invitation to the members of the Bohemian Girl Cast which filled the Colonial theatre two performances recently to a private skating party on next Monday evening Every member of the cast is cordially invited by Mr Robbins to attend

Out next serial story The Two Vanrevels,' by Booth Tarkington, will begin Thursday

Wanted.

WANTED — EXPERIENCED GIRL for general housework Apply R P MAGEE, North Windsor Apartments 13mch3td

WANTED—A NICE TWO STORY house w thin a few blocks of Colonial theatre Address J M BRIDGE M M, care West Penn Railways mch8td

WANTED — GARDENER SINGLE Work winter and summer Salary and Percentage Place two miles from Mt Pleasant Three-quarters of mile from trolley line Address A W McCLEARY Mt Pleasant Pa 10mch4td

WANTED — TRAVELING SALESman Must furnish references and invest one thousand ($1000) dollars in our business Salary and Expenses paid Experience not required We teach business at our mills HIGH WEIDELING ROOFING & CORNICE COMPANY 15mch6td

For Rent.

FOR RENT—NINE ROOM HOUSE with all modern improvements on Rugg street Inquire of Mrs EMMA COUGHENOUR 301 East Green street 10mch3td*

FOR RENT—ONE DOUBLE DWELLing on East Fairfield avenue near corner of Eighth avenue $15 per month Inquire of H B SPEAR Title & Trust Building 13mch3td

FOR RENT—TWO SINGLE HOUSES six rooms and bath each Location Cottage avenue just off East Main street and three minutes walk to Connellsville Cooking range gas and electricity Rent only $10 per month Water rent paid Apply MRS MARY L HENRY East Apple street 13mch3td

For Sale

FOR SALE—A PEACH GARDEN and fruit farm Five room house and good spring Five hundred bushels of peaches which follow the grass last season Price $1800 if taken at once Inquire of CEO E MARKLEY New Haven Pa 13mch3t

Coal Lands for Sale

FOR SALE—MORE THAN 100 ACRES in Webster county West Virginia H & O R R running through the property

Several thousand across of the Elkhorn seam frontage on the Elk river Will sell in one tract or in two tracts to suit purchaser Very low for cash HUTCHINSON Title & Trust Building 13mch3td

Notice of Dissolution.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the firm heretofore existing between the undersigned under the firm name of J S Morrow has this day been dissolved by mutual consent The business will be continued by the said J S MORROW who will pay all the outstanding indebtedness of the said firm and receive all the outstanding accounts of the said firm J S MORROW L S THOMAS Nov 1st 1905 nch8 1 4t

Charter Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT an application will be made to the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on the twenty sixth day of March 1906 by Joseph Joseph Jacob Evans and David B Evans under the Act of Assembly entitled An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations approved April 29 1874 and the supplements thereto for the charter of an intended corporation to be called HIGHLAND COAL AND COKE COMPANY the character and object of which is mining coal and manufacturing coke and for these purposes to have perpetual succession and enjoy all the rights benefits and privileges of the said Act of Assembly and its supplements and to exercise SEARING HIGHLAND DUNLAP & LOWNS, Solicitors mch 13 20d

Borough Ordinance

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR the registering the receipt and keeping of accounts of the Borough

Be it enacted and ordained by the Town Council of the Borough of Connellsville and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the authority of the same

Section 1 That it shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Town Council forthwith to put up under the direction and supervision of the Borough Solicitor a complete set of double entry books for the entering and recording all and singular the financial transactions and business of the Borough and that the said books shall be opened in such a manner as to show the exact financial condition of the said Borough on the 6th day of March 1906

Section 2 It shall be the duty of the Borough Clerk to enter in the said books all and singular the financial transactions of the said Borough including all moneys paid to the said Borough from any and all sources and all moneys expended by the said Borough for any and all purposes and to keep and enter the income and outgoing accounts of the said Borough with the Collector of Taxes and with all property owners and claims against the said Borough may have claims for the part thereof of any street alley or avenue and account of the said Borough with the Burgess charging the said Burgess with all fines and costs in the same shall be proceeded by the Clerk at hearings held before the said Burgess and any and all other unlisted business and transactions that shall be necessary to make the said books a complete and comprehensive record of the financial transactions of the said Borough

Section 3 It shall be the duty of the Borough Treasurer to make daily reports to the said Clerk of Council of all moneys received by him stating on what account from whom and from what source such money was derived and it shall thereupon be the duty of the Clerk to charge the said Treasurer therewith in what order fund or account that said moneys and property chargeable

Section 4 It shall be the duty of the Borough Clerk before delivering any voucher or order for the payment of money to enter the same in the said books and note on the said voucher or order the fact that it has been so entered identifying by its number on the said books and marking it the said voucher by the proper folio to show the place of its entry in the said books

Section 5 For the purpose of better enabling the Borough Clerk to ascertain the amount paid to the Borough Treasurer it is hereby enacted that receipts given by the Borough Treasurer shall be on blank forms to be furnished to him by the Borough for that purpose on which said forms shall be printed a copy of this section of this ordinance and a reference thereto and that no receipt shall be valid as an evidence of payment to the said Borough until the same shall have been countersigned by the Borough Clerk on a ruled to be provided therefor for that purpose and it shall be the duty of the Borough Clerk on the presentation of any such receipt or receipts by any person or persons whomsoever properly signed by the Borough Treasurer to countersign such receipts and charge the amount thereof to the Treasurer in the proper fund for that purpose and to credit the person by whom such money was duly paid therewith

Section 6 It shall be the duty of the said Clerk to balance the said books at the close of each and every month and to preserve all daily reports of the Treasurer and a registry for the receipts countersigned by him as herein before provided together with all other original entries books and memorandum whatsoever in that connection and used as part of the system of keeping the said accounts in a proper place in the vault in the public Building and to prepare or have prepared a proper department in the said vault for that purpose and to index the said books and tabulate and furnish an index of all the said papers and memorandum in such a way that they shall be readily accessible when required for any purpose whatsoever

Section 7 All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

Passed by Town Council this fifth day of March 1906

CLAIR BELLWAGON President

Attest W D McGINNIS, Clerk

Approved this fifth day of March 1906 AUGUSTIN D SCISSON Burgess

TRICKS IN OIL TRADE.

Former Agent of Standard Describes Their Method of Killing Competition.

SPY ON OPPONENTS' BUSINESS

Every Shipment of Oil Made by Independent Rival Reported to Standard and Customer is Taken Away by Underhand Work.

Kansas City, Mo, March 14.—Francis M Cockrell, of the interstate commerce commission, severely reprimanded G W Mayer, Kansas City manager of the Standard Oil company, during the investigation into the alleged methods of railroads and the Standard Oil company in discriminating against independent oil men here abouts. Repeated efforts had been made to get from Mayer an admission that there was any connection between the Standard Oil company, the Union Tank Line company, the Republic Oil company, the Waters-Pierce Oil company, and other companies To all questions Mr Mayer answered "I don't know"

At the close of his testimony Mr Cockrell asked him

"Tell this commission, are the Republic Oil company and the Waters Pierce company part of the Standard Oil company?"

"I do not know, sir'

"What is your best impression about it?"

"I have none"

'Don t you feel and know in your heart that they are all part and parcel of the same company?'

'I do not know

Then the veteran ex senator slapped the desk with his fist and said, severely

Called Down by Cockrell.

"I am tired and sick of this effort made by Standard Oil people to conceal this fact when every man, woman and child knows it is so Now, everybody wants the truth told here and why don't you tell it? Every tub ought to stand upon its own bottom and you folks ought not to dodge this question further'

E L. Willhoyt, formerly agent at Topeka, Kans, for the Standard Oil company but now an independent dealer with offices at Joplin and Springfield, Mo, testified Mr Willhoyt said that while agent for the Standard at Topeka, he was instructed to watch all shipments of oil to that point, and to ascertain the name of the shipper and the point of distribution

Willhoyt said that by keeping track of the shipments made by their competitors the Standard was enabled to know the names of every dealer who was buying oil from independents "It enables me,' he said, "to go to each of my competitors and either tie him up to us with a contract or cut the price so that he lost money on the oil he received from independent refiners"

Tricks of the Standard.

Before going to Topeka for the Standard Willhoyt said he had been a traveling agent for that company with headquarters at Wichita He said that while at Wichita an independent refiner in Pueblo the Rocky Mountain Oil company, shipped a car load of oil to a wholesale grocer in Arkansas City, Kans "I was notified of the number of the car," said Willhoyt, "and was told to go there and tie up that grocer with a contract to buy all his oil from us or to maintain our price in his territory This dealer refused to contract although I offered him oil for a dollar a barrel, or two cents a gallon less than we were selling it in the open market. I reported that to my superior officer, and he ordered me to go back and tie up that dealer in a contract no matter how much of a cut in price I had to make Before I returned the Rocky Mountain Oil company had failed in business'

I N Knapp, an oil producer and shipper of Chanute, Kans, was the next witness He testified that when the railroads raised the rate on oil from 10 to 17 cents from Chanute to Kansas City it put him out of the shipping business

WILLING TO BE MARTYR

French Catholic Bishop Defies Authorities to Close Church.

Maseolles, France, March 14—An exciting scene occurred at the doors of the Cathedral The local authorities attempted to take an inventory under the church and state separation law, whereupon The bishop, wearing his mitre and surrounded by the congregation chanting ordered the authorities not to enter the cathedral, saying:

"Here, before the altar, I announce that I am prepared to suffer imprisonment, exile or death in defending the rights of the church.'

The authorities withdrew in order to avoid trouble The cathedral will be closed day and night and guards who will keep regular watches have been organized to resist the government snapshotors

Big Gasser Gronts Loose Again.

Caney Kans, March 14—The great gas well six miles from here which was capped yesterday, with a huge iron hood, after it had burned without restraint for 17 days, consuming millions of feet of gas burst forth again today. After having confined the fire for 12 hours, the hood was perforated by the tremendous force of sand and stones beneath it and soon became a mass of scrap iron.

DEATH BEHIND SCENES

Actor Drinks Poison Because Actress Slights His Love.

Washington, March 14—William Thomas of Saginaw, Mich, a member of the chorus of the "Wonderland" company performing at the Columbia theater here, committed suicide last night by drinking carbolic acid while the play was in progress

Thomas was an admirer of Idra Gordon a 18 year old girl also a member of the company, and who is said to live in New York The suicide was caused by disappointment because she would not reciprocate his attentions After the show was over, Miss Gordon went to the hospital to which Thomas had been removed, and on seeing his body said "I did not know he thought so much of me I did not mean to break his heart. He misjudged me" Thomas was 22 years old

The couple were in the property room of the theater Thomas sat on the side of a table with a goblet in one hand and a bottle in the other Pouring out the poison, he accused her of playing with his affections and saying, "Good bye, old girl" drank the poison before she could stop him

The play continued uninterrupted ly, the audience not being aware of what had transpired

PLAYWRIGHT MURDERED

Louis Delange Found Dead After Visit From Stranger.

New York, March 14—Louis Delange, a playwright, whose home was formerly in Philadelphia, was found dead in his room in West 142d street when his brother went to awaken him His throat had been cut

The police believe he met his death by foul play They base their suspicions on a statement made by the dead man's sister in law, Mrs. Alexander C Delange About 4 o clock in the morning she heard the playwright who lived in the same apartment house come home and go to his room Some one accompanied him Shortly after he entered the room Mrs Delange heard sounds of quarreling and thinks that she also heard a scuffle Then she heard her brother in law's voice exclaim "Oh God don t do that!" Going to the hallway she saw a young man leave the playwright's room and go out of the house This man Mrs Delange said acted as if intoxicated She listened and hearing nothing more from her brother's room went back to bed

DOWIE AND WIFE PART

Dissenters in Apostle's Church Receive Aid From Her.

Chicago, March 14—John Alexander Dowie, head of the Zion church, and his wife have parted, according to a story printed in the Daily News It is declared that the last message of Dowie to his home was ignored and that Mrs Dowie has thrown in her lot with the ordinary followers of Zion

It is asserted that Mrs Dowie has said to her friends that she has been deceived as to the real conditions in the church and believed that millions of money were available when there was no such condition existing

Mrs Dowie has called in brokers who made an inventory of the furnishings of the Dowie home in Zion city which is decorated in a most expensive manner She said she desired to sell everything for the good of the church and that when the furnishings had been sold, the house itself was at the disposal of the society

TAKE OVER MORE LINES

Pennsylvania to Annex Southwest Branch and Allegheny Valley

Philadelphia March 14—The principal business transacted at the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Pennsylvania railroad was the adoption of a resolution authorizing the acquisition of additional lines For this purpose the directors were authorized to issue from time to time the remaining capital stock not required by present outstanding convertible bonds The issuable capital stock amounts to $18 000 000

The roads to be acquired are the Southwest Pennsylvania railway which extends through the coke region from Greensburg to Connellsville and Uniontown, the York Haven & Rowenna railroad, a link in the freight line from York Haven to Glenloch and the Allegheny Valley railway forming a connection between the main line at Pittsburg and the Erie road at Driftwood

One Man's Thirst Causes Strike.

Youngstown O March 14—Because one man was refused admission to the works of the Valley plant of the Republic Iron & Steel company after a brief absence, 60 puddlers and helpers are on strike As a result the entire concern was closed down throwing 1 000 men out of employment The company assert that it is a violation of their agreement with the Amalgamated association for employes to leave the plant between heats

Sister Appeals for Brother's Life

St. Petersburg March 14—Izbach Schmidt sister of Lieut Schmidt the leader of the naval mutiny at Sebastopol who was sentenced to be hanged but appealed to the court of cassation has made a personal appeal to Premier Witte for a commutation of her brother's sentence It now appears that the prisoner was not pardoned by the emperor as reported

"Barbarous Absurdity," Says Author.

London, March 15—Andrew Carnegie's spelling reform movement finds little favor with British authors Charles Algernon Swinburne describes the movement as a monstrous, barbarous absurdity."

WONDERFUL WEALTH

Flowing from Oil Wells of Kansas The Coffeyville District

Oil is a vastly greater source of riches to the United States than gold silver or copper Statistics show that oil leads in money all of the mineral products of America and can be produced at one tenth of the cost of mining gold, silver or copper The great oil products of the United States at the wells, for the year 1905, were worth $150,000,000 Converted by the refineries into gasoline, naptha kerosene, gas, lubricating oil vaseline, paraffine, waxes, and a thousand other by products this value was easily quadrupled or advanced to the stupendous sum of $600,000 000 turning out an equivalent of 600 new millionaires This means a grand annual distribution of the equivalent of 1,200 000 in sums of $500 each 600,000 of $1 000 each, 300,000 of $2 000 each 120 000 of $5,000 each, 60,000 of $10,000 each

In some of the older fields the oil deposits are not producing sufficiently to keep abreast of the enormously increased demand but in various parts of the country new and powerful corporations are opening up new fields, determined to secure a share of the enormous profits that are embodied in successful oil operations In Kansas the oil wealth is great almost beyond comprehension, and the development of the past three years seems beyond belief to anyone who has not been on the field and seen with his own eyes Compared with Kansas, the Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana fields seem small while the oil fields of Texas and California yield only fuel oil Kansas oil is almost entirely of the highest grade illuminating variety The mere fact that the refining companies have expended over $30 000,000 in refine ies pipe lines storage tanks and pumping stations in Kansas for the development of these fields should be proof of the solidity and profitableness of a Kansas oil producing investment proposition.

There need be no hesitation in saying that one of the strongest most interesting and best managed of Kansas corporations is the Coffeyville Consolidated Oil Company, of Philadelphia, operating in the Coffeyville field some interesting details in regard to which have just been secured by this paper The capitalization of this company is small only a half million dollars and the honor and integrity of its management is unquestioned On the property of this company which is most advantageously situated at Coffeyville Kansas are eleven wells a number of large tanks engines, etc The company owns its own drilling rig and all necessary tools and equipment for drilling wells, all at a cost of many thousands of dollars and all paid for The stock of the company is selling readily at five cents per share (par value 10 cents) The money from the sale of stock is used for developing it The Coffeyville Consolidated Oil Company can get along very nicely on its own resources, and they are offering stock for sale not because their need for money is imperative but because more capital means greater immediate growth, greater immediate supply greater immediate returns Application has been made for the pipe line to the tanks of the company and the management expect to pay dividends from the first sale of oil half being retained for further development and the other half to be paid to the stockholders in the form of dividends There is very little speculation in a good oil producing company, and to those with money for investment who are looking for a genuinely good thing we do not hesitate to say that whoever invests in the securities of the Coffeyville Consolidated Oil Company is wise Any one wishing a prospectus and further particulars by addressing the secretary Mr E N Lenig at No 1217 Diexel Building, Philadelphia Pa

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago March 14—Reports of additional snow in the winter wheat section of the United States caused a break of more than a cent a bushel in the price of wheat in the local market today At the close wheat for May delivery showed a net loss of 1⅜ Corn was down ¼@⅜ Oats were unchanged Closing quotations Wheat, May, 77⅛ corn May, 42¼@42⅜, oats, May, 29⅝

PITTSBURG MARKETS—MARCH 13

Corn—New yellow shelled, 45¼@46, new high mixed, 17½@18½, new yellow ear, 49@49½

Oats—No 2 white, 35¼@35½ No 3, 34¾@35

Hay—No 1 timothy, $12 75@13, No 2, $11 50@12, No 1 clover, $8 50@9, No 1 mixed $9 75@10 25

Eggs—Selected, 17@18

Butter—Prints 30@33½, tubs, 29@29½, dairy 20@21

Cheese—New York full cream new 14½@15 Ohio full cream, 14½@15, Wisconsin Swiss, 15@15½, limberger, new 13½@14

Cattle—Prime to fancy, fat smooth steers $5 75@6 10 green coarse and rough, fat steers $3 65@4 25, fat, smooth dry fed light steers $4 15@4 35 choice milch cows $40@50 medium to good milch cows, $20@35, good fat smooth handy butchers' bulls $4@4 35 feeding steers good style weight and extra quality, $3 50@4 feed steers common to good quality, $3@3 50, fair to choice stockers $2 85@3 40

Calves—Veals good to choice $8@8 75 veals fair to good $6 50@7 75, heavy and thin calves, $3@5 50

Hogs—Good to prime heavy $6 55@6 60 choice medium weights $6 65, best heavy yorkers $6 60 good light yorkers $6 45@6 60 pigs, good to prime, $6 20@6 35

Sheep and Lambs—Prime wethers, $5 60@6, good to choice mixed $5@5 50, fair to good mixed, $4 25@5; spring and common $3@4

Deeds Recorded

Eggers & Graham Lumber Company to Mrs Josephine C Moyer three lots in Bellevernon $1 400 October 30 1905

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The Trainmaster's Story

Of the Old Guard

By FRANK H. SPEARMAN

Haverly's own heat got so hot that, bedeviled by his fears of losing it and afraid to discharge Dave, who now sailed up and down the line reckless as any pirate of the Spanish main, he cowered, called Dave into the little room at the Wicklup and asked him to resign. In all the storm that raged on the division the old conductor alone had remained calm. Every day it was somebody's head off; every night a new alarm. Dave alone ignored it all. He was through it all the shining mark, the daredevil target. Yet he bore a charmed life and survived every last associate. Then Haverly asked him to resign. Dave, bitter angry, faced him with black words in his throat.

"It's come to a showdown," muttered the superintendent uneasily after a minute's talking. "Do you want to resign?"

Dave eyed the mountains coldly. "No."

"You will have to"—

"Have to!" Hawk whirled dark as a storm. "Have to? Who says so?"

The superintendent shifted the paperweight on the desk uncomfortably.

"Why should I resign?" demanded the old conductor angrily. "Resign?" He rose from his chair. "You know I'm a thief. You're a thief yourself. You helped make me one. I've carried more men for you than for anybody else on the whole division. I don't resign for anybody. Discharge me! I don't ask any odds of you."

Haverly met it sullenly, yet he didn't dare do anything. He knew Dave could ruin him any day he chose to open his mouth. What he did not know was that Dave Hawk was molded in a class of men different from his own. Even dishonor was safe in the hands of Dave Hawk.

There was no change after except that darker, moodier, loneller than ever, Dave moved aloof on his runs, the last of the old guard. Better railroad man than he never took a train out of division. Stress of wind or stress of weather, storm, flood or blockade, Dave Hawk's trains came and went on time or very close. So he rode, grim old privateer, with his letters of marque on the company's strong box, and Haverly trembled night and day till that day came that fear had foretold to him. A clap of thunder struck the Wicklup, and Haverly's head fell low, and Dave Hawk sailed boldly on.

I was extra passenger man when John Stanley Bucks took the West End. He came from south of our country, and we heard great things about the new superintendent and about what would happen as soon as he got into the saddle. What few of the old men in the Wicklup were left looked at Bucks just once and began to arrange their temporal affairs. His appearance bore out his reputation. Only everybody, while pretty clear in his own mind as to what he would do—that is, as to what he would have to do—wondered what Dave would do.

He and Bucks met. I couldn't for the life of me help thinking when they struck hands, this grizzled mountaineer and this contained, strong, soldierly executive who had come to command us, of another meeting I once saw when I carried Crook out on a special and watched him at Bear Dance strike hands with the last of the big fighting chiefs of the mountain Sioux.

For three months Bucks sat his new saddle without a word or an act to show what he was thinking; then there came from the little room a general order that swept right and left from trainmaster to wrecking boss. The last one of the old timers in the operating department went except Dave Hawk.

The day the order was bulletined Bucks sent for Dave; sent word by me he wanted to see him.

"Come on," said Dave to me when I gave him the message.

"What do you want me for?"

"Come on," he repeated, and, greatly against my inclination, I went up with him. I looked for a scene.

"Dave, you've been running here a good while, haven't you?" Bucks began.

"Long as anybody, I guess," said Dave curtly.

"How many years?"

"Nineteen."

"There's been some pretty lively shake-outs on the system lately," continued Bucks. The veteran conductor looked at him coldly. "I am trying to shape things here for an entire new deal."

"Don't let me stand in your way," returned Dave grimly.

"That's what I want to see you about."

"It needn't take long," blurted Dave.

"Then I'll tell you what I want"—

"I don't resign. You can discharge me any minute."

"I wouldn't ask any man to resign, Dave. If I wanted to discharge him. Don't make a mistake like that. I suppose you will admit there's room for improvement in the running of this division."

Dave never twitched. "A whole lot of improvement," Bucks, with perceptible emphasis, added. It came from the new superintendent as a sort of gauntlet, and Dave picked it up.

"I guess that's right enough," he replied candidly; "there is room for a whole lot of improvement. If I sat where you do I'd fire every man that stood in the way of it too."

"That's why I've sent for you," Bucks resumed.

"Then drop the chinook talk and give me my time."

"You don't understand me, Dave. I want you to give up your run. I want your friend, Burnes here, to take your run"—

A queer shadow went over Dave's face. When Bucks began he was getting a thunderstorm on. Somehow the way it ended, the way it was coming about—putting me into his place—I, the only boy on the division he cared anything about—it struck him, as it struck me, all in a heap. He couldn't say a word. His eyes went out the window into the mountains; something in it looked like rain. For my part, I felt murder guilty.

"What I want you to do, Dave," added Bucks evenly, "is to come into the office here with me and look after the train crews. Just at present I've got to lean considerably on a trainmaster. Do you want the job?"

The silent conductor turned to stone.

"The men who own the road are new men, Dave. They didn't steal it; they bought it and paid for it. They want a new deal; and they propose to give a new deal to the men. They will pay salaries a man can live on honestly; they will give no excuse for knocking down; they want what's coming to them, and they propose the men shall have their right share of it in the pay checks.

"But there's more than that in it. They want to build up the operating force, as fast as it can be built, from the men in the ranks. I aim to make a start now on this division. If you're with me, hang up your coat here the 1st of the month and take the train crews."

Dave left the office groggy. The best Bucks could do he couldn't get a positive answer out of him. He was overcome and couldn't focus on the proposition. Bucks saw how he had gone to pieces and managed diplomatically to leave the matter open. Callahan, whom Bucks had brought with him as assistant, filling in meanwhile as trainmaster.

The matter was noised. It was known that Dave, admittedly the brainiest and most capable of the old guard, had been singled out, regardless of his past record, for promotion: "I'm not here sitting in judgment on what was done last year," Bucks had said plainly. "It's what is done this year and next that will count in this office." And the conductors, thinking there was a chance, believing that at last if they did their work right they would get their share of the promotions, began to carry their lanterns as if they had more important business than holding up stray fares.

Meantime Dave hung to his run. Somehow the old run had grown a part of him, and he couldn't give it up. When he told Bucks at the end of the week that he would like another week to make his decision the superintendent waved it to him. Everybody began to make great things of Dave. Some of the boys called him trainmaster and told him to drop his punch and give Tommie a show.

He didn't take the humor the way one would expect. Always silent, he grew more than that—sombre and dejected. We never saw a smile on his face. "Dave is off," muttered Henry Cavanaugh, his old baggageman. "I don't understand it. He's off. You ought to talk to him, Tommie. You're the only man on the division can do it."

I was ordered west that night to bring a military special from Washakie. I rode up on Dave's train. The hind Los Angeles sleeper was loaded light, and when Dave had worked the train and walked into the stateroom to sort his collections I followed him. We sat half an hour alone and undisturbed, but he wouldn't talk. It was a heavy train and the wind was high.

We made Rat River after midnight, and I was still sitting alone in the open stateroom when I saw Dave's green light coming down the darkened aisle. He walked in, put his lamp on the floor, sat down and threw his feet on the cushions.

"How's Tommie tonight?" he asked, leaning back as if he hadn't seen me before, in his old teasing way. He played light heart sometimes, but it was no more than played; that was easy seeing.

"How's Dave?" He turned, pulled the window shade and looked out. There was a moon, and the night was bright, only windy.

"What are you going to do with Bucks, Dave?"

"Do you want my punch, Tommie?"

"You know better than that, don't you?"

"I guess so."

"You're blue tonight. What's the matter?" He shifted, and it wasn't like him to shift.

"I'm going to quit the West End."

"Quit? What do you mean? You're not going to throw over this trainmaster offer?"

"I'm going to quit. What's the use?" he went on slowly. "How can I take charge of conductors, talk to conductors? How can I discharge a conductor for stealing when he knows I'm a thief myself? They know it! Bucks knows it. There's no place among men for a thief."

"Dave, you take it too hard. Everything ran wide open here. You're the best railroad man on this division; everybody, old and new, admits that."

"I ought to be a railroad man. I held down a division on the Pathfinder when I was thirty years old."

"Were you a railroad superintendent at thirty?"

"I was a trainmaster at twenty-seven. I'm forty-nine now, and a thief. The woman that ditched me is dead; the man she ran away with is dead; my baby is dead, long ago." He was looking out as he spoke on the flying desert, ashen in the moonlight. In the car the passengers were hard asleep, and we heard only the slow of the straining flanges and the muffled beat of the heavy truck under us.

"There's no law on earth that will keep a man from leaving the track once in awhile," I argued. "There's none to keep him from righting his tracks when the chance is offered. I say a man's bound to do it. If you won't do it here, choose your place, and I'll go with you. This is a big country, Dave. Hang it, I'll go anywhere. You are my partner, aren't you?"

He bent to pick up his lantern. "Tommie, you're a great boy."

"Well, I mean it." He looked at his watch. I pulled mine. It was 1 o'clock.

"Better go to sleep, Tommie." I looked up into his face as he rose. He looked for an instant steadily into mine. "Go to bed, Tommie." He sighed, pulling down his visor, and, turning, he walked slowly forward. I threw myself on the couch and drew my cap over my eyes. The first thing I felt was a hand on my shoulder. Then I realized I had been asleep and that the train was standing still. A man was bending over me, lantern in hand. It was the porter.

"What's wrong?" I exclaimed.

"There's trouble up ahead, Mr. Burnes," he exclaimed huskily. I sprang to my feet. "Have you got your pistol?" he stuttered.

Somebody came running down the aisle, and the porter dodged like a hare

Without a word he opened on the forward robber.

behind me. It was the head end brakeman, but he was so scared he could not speak. I hurried forward.

Through the head Los Angeles sleeper, the San Francisco cars and the Portland I ran without meeting a living soul, but the silence was ominous. When I caught a glimpse of the inside of the chair car I saw the reason. Women were screaming; and praying, and men were burrowing under the foot rests. "They've killed everybody in the smoker!" shouted a traveling man, grabbing me.

"Damnation, make way, won't you!" I exclaimed, pushing away from him through the mob. At the forward door, taking me for one of the train robbers, there was another panic. Passengers from the smoker were jammed together there like sardines. I had to pile them bodily across the seats to get through and into the forward car.

It was over. The front lamps were out and the car smoking bluish. A cowboy hung pitched head and arms down over the heater seat. In the middle of the car Henry Cavanaugh, crouching in the aisle, held in his arms Dave Hawk. At the dark front end of the couch I saw the outline of a man sprawled on his face in the aisle. The news agent crawled out from under a seat. It must have been short and horribly sharp.

They had flagged the train east of Bear Dance. Two men boarded the front platform of the smoker and one the rear. But the two in front opened the smoker door just as Dave was hurrying forward to investigate the stop. He saw no man to ask questions. He saw the masks and covered them instantly. Dave Hawk any time and anywhere was a deadly shot. Without a word he opened on the forward robbers. A game cowboy back of him pulled a gun and cut into it and was the first to go down, wounded. But the train boy said Hawk himself had dropped the two head men almost immediately after the firing began and stood fire Banded when the man from the rear platform put a Winchester against his back. Even then, with a hole blown clean through him, he had whirled and fired again. We found the man's blood on the platform in the morning, but whoever he was, he got to the horses and got away.

When I reached Dave he lay in his baggageman's arms. We threw the carrion into the baggage car and carried the cowboy and the conductor back into the forward sleeper. I gave the go ahead orders and hurried again to the side of the last of the old guard. Once his eyes opened, wandering stonily, but he never heard me, never knew me, never spoke. As his train went that morning into division he went with it. When we stopped his face was cold. It was up to the Grand Master.

A game man always, he was never a cruel one. He called himself a thief. He never hesitated with the other men, high and low, to loot the company. The big looters were knaves; Dave was only a thief, yet gave his life for the very law he trampled under foot.

Thief, if you please. I don't know. We needn't quarrel about the word I branded himself with. Yet a trust, a money, of friendship, of duty, were safer in Dave Hawk's hands than in the hands of older plunderers.

I held him not up for a model, neither glory in his wickedness. When I was friendless he was my friend. His story is told.

THE END.

"The Two Vanrevels," by Booth Tarkington, will begin in tomorrow's issue of this paper. Do not fail to read this story.

GEOLOGIC SURVEY WORK.

What Has Been Accomplished in Pennsylvania With State Aid.

Washington, D. C., March 14.—An account of the work done by the United States Geological Survey, in the several States of the Union, during the last fiscal year, July 1, 1904, to July 1, 1905, is given in the 25th annual report of the director, which has recently come from the press.

In coöperation with Pennsylvania the topographic mapping of the State was conducted under an agreement signed July 12, 1898, by the members of the State Survey Commission and the Director of the United States Geological Survey; and by correspondence in June, 1903, arrangements were made for the expenditure of $15,000 on behalf of the State Federal Survey. Under the general supervision of R. D. Cummin, six parties were engaged in work in 17 quadrangles. In nine of these field work was completed and in five it was left uncompleted; revision was completed in two others and begun in a third. All the original mapping is for publication on the scale of 1:62,500, with a contour interval of 20 feet. In all, 1,657 square miles of Pennsylvania territory were topographically surveyed during the fiscal year, 1,536 square miles of it new area. In the same period 2,148 miles of levels were run and 39 bench marks established. The quadrangles surveyed were the Burgettstown; Carnegie; Coatesville, Greensburg, Johnstown, McKeesport, New Bloomfield, Phoenixville, Punxsutawney, Andover, Claysville, Millerstown, Sharpsburg, Duplee, Bordentown, Burlington and Lambertville.

The Phoenixville and Supleo 15-minute quadrangles, in Berks, Chester and Lancaster counties, were controlled by 116 miles of primary traverse by E. L. McKim. The Nescopeck and Stonyboro quadrangles, in Mercer county, were controlled by 60 miles of traverse run by J. R. Ellis. The Honeygrove, Loysville and Shippensburg quadrangles in Franklin, Juniata, Perry and Snyder counties were controlled by nine triangulation stations located by George T. Hawkins.

In the office, six topographic atlas sheets of Pennsylvania areas were engraved and printed. These were maps of the Amity, Houtzdale, Mannington (West Virginia-Pennsylvania), New Castle, Rogersville, and Westminster (Maryland-Pennsylvania) quadrangles.

For coöperative work in geology and paleontology the State of Pennsylvania appropriated the sum of $6,000. This work, which was conducted under the supervision of M. R. Campbell, consisted of the survey of four 15-minute quadrangles and the completion of some areal work in quadrangles surveyed during the previous season. The Burgettstown quadrangle was surveyed with great care by W. T. Griswold, in a study of oil, gas and coal problems of the region southwest of Pittsburg, made in connection with the topographic survey of the area. The Amity and Rogersville quadrangles were surveyed by F. G. Clapp, assisted by Frank W. DeWolf, and the preparation of the resulting maps and texts was well advanced. The Houtzdale quadrangle was surveyed by George H. Ashley, assisted by F. G. Clapp, W. C. Phalen and F. W. DeWolf. Maps and texts descriptive of the Curwensville quadrangle were also prepared by Mr. Ashley, this work being deferred until the survey of the adjoining Houtzdale quadrangle was completed in order to determine doubtful stratigraphic points.

The maps and texts for the Ebensburg geologic folio and for a bulletin on the economic geology of the Kittanning and Rural Valley quadrangles were completed by Charles Butts. The manuscript for a bulletin on the economic resources of the Beaver quadrangle was completed by L. H. Woolsey, the field work having been done the previous season. In the course of his investigation of the Appalachian copper deposits, W. H. Weed visited a number of localities in Pennsylvania during the year. The slates of the State received the attention of T. Nelson Dale.

The stratigraphic position of the Wissahickon mica-gneiss in the Coatesville, West Chester, and Norristown quadrangles of Pennsylvania was the subject of a field conference between Prof. Florence Bascom, Messrs. George Otis Smith, and Arthur Keith of the Geological Survey and E. B. Matthews of the Maryland Geological Survey. They came to the conclusion that detailed investigations in certain unmapped adjoining areas will be necessary before the stratigraphic limits of this formation can be satisfactorily defined, and that publication of the Philadelphia Special folio should be deferred until those investigations were completed. Maps and text of the Pleistocene geology of the eastern part of the area included in this Philadelphia folio were prepared during the year by Prof. R. D. Salisbury. Certain intricate structural problems in the Piedmont region of Pennsylvania and Maryland were studied by Arthur Keith. An investigation of the stratigraphy and paleontology of the Oderviolan limestones of the Lehigh Valley was made by R. S. Bassler. Some progress was made by George W. Stone in the preparation of the Mercersburg-Chambersburg folio, but inasmuch as a careful paleontologic study of the correlation of the Ordovician and Silurian formations in the area is being made by Messrs. Ulrich and Bassler, the completion of this folio was deferred. Paleontologic work in the State was done by George H. Girty, who continued his investigation of the Bradfordian series of Pennsylvania.

The river stations in the Delaware and Susquehanna drainage basins were continued and hydrographic work was extended to the Ohio river drainage in the western part of the State. Stations for the measurement of streams were maintained at Kittanning, Blacklick, Confluence, Newport, Salina, South Bethlehem, Lock No. 4 on the Monongahela, Harrisburg, McCalls Ferry, Wilkes-barre and Williamsport.

No field work was conducted by Survey hydrologists in Pennsylvania during the fiscal year, but a number of papers based on the work of the geological branch were issued during the year. Among these were reports on the water resources of the Chambersburg and Mercersburg quadrangles by George W. Stose, on the water resources of the Curwensville, Patton, Ebensburg, and Barnesville quadrangles by F. G. Clapp, on the water resources of the Elder's Ridge quadrangle and the Waynesburg quadrangle by Ralph W. Stone, on the water resources of the Philadelphia district by Prof. Florence Bascomb, on the underground waters of the State by M. L. Fuller, and the well records by E. F. Lines.

A report on the quantity of the water in the Susquehanna river basin appeared in the fall of 1904. A complete examination was made of the sources of pollution along the Schuylkill river preparatory to a systematic examination of the water. In the western part of the State a chemical survey of the waters was commenced by Samuel J. Lewis, assistant engineer, with a view of determining the character of all the available sources of water supply, both ground and surface, in the region.

TROOP IN BARRACKS

State Constables Busy These Days at Mt. Odin Park.

The men of Troop A, under the direction of Captain Borland, are a busy lot of men up at Mount Odin these days. Since the lumber of the remodeling of the big barn has arrived, the troopers have been engaged in tearing out the old arrangement of stalls; putting in a new floor above, and rearranging the stalls on the ground floor. The men are doing this work themselves, with the supervising assistance of two practical carpenters.

They report for duty at an early hour in the morning, and work all day with the exception of a short intermission at noon time for lunch. They are making excellent progress, and the next two weeks will see Mount Odin in shape for the reception of the troop and its mounts.

The barn is fully large enough for the accommodation of the troop horses, and the stables will be both roomy and comfortable. As soon as the men are fully installed in their new quarters, regular drill work will begin and the routine work of the command taken up. In the meantime non-commissioned officer's school is held by Captain Borland each evening, and the men are getting well acquainted with cavalry drill tactics.

One member of Troop A has been transferred to another troop, nearer his home, and another has resigned within the past week. The men as a whole, however, are well pleased with their work and their prospects.

CHARLIE POWER'S STORIES

From Pirated Training Camp Will Appear in Pittsburg Dispatch.

Last Monday evening the Pittsburg baseball club started for Hot Springs, where the players will be drilled and put in condition for what promises to be the most interesting championship struggle in the history of the National League. The sporting editor of The Pittsburg Dispatch, Charles H. Power, whose interesting reports from the training camp last spring were admittedly the brightest and most entertaining ever published, as usual, accompanied the Pirates and will keep the readers of that journal fully informed as to the movements of the players. Mr. Power is a recognized base ball authority and is well qualified to pass judgment on the young players to be tried by the Pittsburg club, as well as to keep the readers of the Dispatch advised as to the form displayed by the old members of the team. Before entering upon newspaper work he was prominent as a player and manager, served two seasons as a National League umpire and later was for five years President of the Inter-State League.

With Mr. Power as its sporting editor The Dispatch is the paper that every lover of base ball should read. Leave an order with your news dealer now. You will enjoy the daily letters from Hot Springs and you will at all times get the best sporting news published.

To Double Track West Penn.

The West Penn railroad directors have appropriated funds for improvements on that division which will cost about $2,500,000. The road will be double tracked.

PRESS AGENT YARNS.

What They Say of Plays Coming to the Colonial Theatre.

Henrietta Crosman has attained her greatest success as Rosalind in "As You Like It" in which she will be seen at the Colonial Theatre tonight. And this success came to a surprising degree to the actress herself at the time she first essayed the role of Rosalind in New York City. It was at the Belasco Theatre, then known as the Theatre Republic. Miss Crosman's manager, Maurice Campbell, had reserved a certain number of weeks at the theatre for his star with the intention of offering her in several plays. The program called for "As You Like It" to which two weeks were allotted. So great was Miss Crosman's triumph in the Shakespearian comedy, that the two weeks originally assigned to it was extended to four, then to six, and at length to the end of the time she was to have had the theatre. But at the expiration of the contract the audiences continued so great and the run was so successful financially as well as artistically, that another two weeks were adde. This again was extended, and once more for a third time. Meantime Oscar Hammerstein had leased the theatre to David Belasco, who was to take possession the following autumn. Mr. Belasco had planned extensive alterations which the architects were instructed to carry out. It was the architect who ended Miss Crosman's New York Run in "As You Like It." After the third extension of time they refused to allow another day, insisting that unless they were able to take hold of the theatre at once they could not complete the alterations within the specified limit for the autumn. Regret has been expressed in many quarters that Miss Crosman's run in "As You Like It" was interrupted in this manner. She had made a record, having presented "As You Like It" for 100 times, the longest run on record for a woman in Shakespeare, and it would have been interesting to see how much longer she could have continued and to what extent the public would have patronized a Shakespearian play, a class of theatrical offering which up to Miss Crosman's venture had been shortlived in the metropolis.

The Beauty Doctor.

When Fred E. Wright's funny musical comedy, "The Beauty Doctor," comes to the Colonial Theatre next Tuesday it will be in a new dress and

Miss Jennie Lippman, expert club manipulator, with "The Beauty Doctor."

under the title of "The New Beauty Doctor." The reception accorded the play when here last left no doubt as to the excellent impression made by the comedy interpreted by Mr. Wright's splendid company of comedians and singers, and now, in a new environment, with new musical features, all of them reported as hits, the second edition of the piece promises to fulfill the pledges of last year's production.

The Wizard of Oz.

The Colonial is evidently in for a record-breaking engagement with the "Wizard of Oz," which is to be seen at that house Saturday, March 19, matinee and night. The enormous business that this attraction is doing this season is really phenomenal and probably no other performance could quite succeed in drawing so universally well. "The Wizard" possesses so many elements of success that it is little to be wondered at that it has become so attractive and so popular with American theatregoers. Music, comedy and extravaganza are so adroitly intermixed that the result is an entertainment that is pleasing to all classes. Frank Baum's book of fairy stories lends itself admirably to the purposes of extravaganza, and in "The Wizard" every advantage has been taken of the opportunities to provide a performance that can scarcely be described otherwise than extraordinary.

Girls Will Be Girls.

Al. Leech in Girls Will Be Girls comes back to the Colonial Theatre on March 22.

PENNSVILLE.

Happenings and Doings of Bullskin's Busy Little Village.

Pennsville, March 13.—Mrs. W. O. Lyon has been very ill during the past few days.

Miss Nellie Mason is on the sick list.

Miss Lizzie Troxell of Scottdale spent from Saturday until Monday morning at Pleasant Valley visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. C. Detwiler.

Mrs. D. B. Sleasman of Indian Head arrived here Saturday and is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Alice Miller.

Lloyd Sleasman of Ligonier is spending a few days with Pennsville friends.

George Hodge moved his family to the Rebecca Miller house Tuesday.

Messrs Paul C. Kipps and Ira Friend of Connellsville were calling on friends at the Kell Long farm Sunday evening.

Special services are being conducted in the United Evangelical Church for a few evenings this week by the pastor, Rev. M. V. DeVaux.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Earhart of Dunbar came here Saturday evening and visited at the home of Mrs. Earhart's sister, Mrs. J. C. Mason, Sunday.

W. J. McLean moved his family to Normalville Thursday of last week.

W. E. Mier spent a few days this week with Elk Lick, Somerset county, friends.

Miss Alice Hake has accepted a position as clerk in the Llewellyn Art Store, Scottdale. She assumed the duties of her position Monday.

County Superintendent C. G. Lewellyn, accompanied by Kell Long of New Haven, visited the Kell school last Thursday of which Miss Maud Nicholson is teacher. The school highly appreciated the fine address made to them by the superintendent.

Alex. Lang is moving his family from the Marietta row to the Dr. Gallagher farm, near Trotter.

Railroad Time Tables.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

Schedule in effect February 18, 1906.

Trains leave Connellsville for Dubois, New Haven, Redstone Junction and Uniontown 8.11, 10.41 A. M., 2.47, 7.12 P. M., weeks days. Sundays 10.16 A. M., 7.51 P. M.

For Fairchance and intermediate stations, 10.41 A. M., 7.12 P. M., week days. Sundays 10.16 A. M.

For Scottdale, Greensburg, Pittsburg and principal intermediate stations, 7.36, 9.50 A. M., 3.00, 5.29 P. M., week days. Sundays 7.44 A. M., 5.12 P. M.

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WASHINGTON RUN RAILROAD.

Trains leave Layton daily for Star Junction at 8.25 A. M. and 3.50 and 7.20 P. M.

Trains leave Star Junction for Layton daily at 7.45 A. M. and 5.20 and 8.50 P. M.

All trains make connection with Baltimore & Ohio at Layton.

F. S. NEWMYER, Gen. Mgr.

GIVE NO MORE LIFTS.

Two Slavs Get in Trouble and Spend Night in Lockup.

THEY WERE INNOCENTLY CAUGHT

In a South Arch Street House Where They Had Been Invited by a Negro Runner—Burgess May Soon Order Cleaning Up.

South Arch street yesterday afternoon furnished another case for the police court. Officer McCudden saw two white men enter the domicile of Eliza Suttles, colored, whose reputation in police circles is not so good and he went to the house where he arrested George Crouse and Mike Hagodsia, two Magyars. The men could not talk English and were confined in the police station until this morning when their tale was interpreted by Peter Rutsek.

The men stated that they were on their way to the Magyar Catholic Church when a big negro called them into the yard to help him lift something. He then took them into the house and mentioned to them to sit down. They did so and then a big fat negro woman came around and made them understand that she wanted to get them girls. They replied "No" just as the police came in the door.

Burgess Soisson told Mr. Rutsek to interpret a talking to them about stopping in joints like that again for any purpose and the men replied very volubly that it was the last time that they would help anyone out.

Unless the negro section of South Arch street becomes more respectable there will be a wholesale cleaning out of the undesirable district and some of the numerous negroes of that section will be changing their residences for the county jail. The names of the foreigners and their residences at Mt. Braddock were taken and they will be used as witnesses in the future. Burgess Soisson says that the whole outfit will have to go.

Henry Williams of Leisenring No. 3 was arrested on Main street yesterday afternoon for being drunk and disorderly. According to Officer McCudden's report he threatened to kill Constable Louis Opperman, but was not arrested by him. Williams acknowledged his guilt and was fined $5. Several of his friends offered to put up the money for his release but he would not permit it to be done, saying that he was in no hurry to depart from the police station.

Jake Lebas of Clearfield county got a crazy jag on yesterday afternoon and was walking down street yelling and hollowing when he was arrested. He tried to break down the bars of his cell last night but was unsuccessful. He was very meek this morning but was fined $5.

A. R. Somers of Scottdale went on a rampage in the lavatory of the Smith House and had to be taken out by an officer. He was fined $5 or five days. Daniel Jenkins of Pittsburg came here to go to work but instead got drunk. He was given 48 hours for his offense.

BOXING MATCH.

Billy Yourall and Ed Given Will Spar at Gayety Next Monday Night.

Lovers of godo boxing will see a good bout at the Gayety theatre next Monday evening. Billy Yourall, the colored welter-weight, who has a record in the East and West as a clever fighter with many victories to his credit, and Ed. Given of Pittsburg, will meet for ten rounds. Both boxers have been in the professional ring for a number of years. Yourall has boxed in Boston, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Chicago, Cleveland and Denver. Given has not had as long a career or as much experience, but he has made good this winter in Pittsburg where some rattling bouts have been held.

The match is at catch weights, Yourall, in condition weighs about 140 pounds. He can fight nicely, however, at 145 to 150. Given weighs in condition 145, so the men are evenly matched.

There will be two preliminaries to the main bout. All of them will follow with short waits, so the crowd will not grow impatient. The participants in the preliminary bouts will be local boys. The referee will be chosen at the ring side. Tom Baxter is managing the show.

Licensed to Marry.

Adolpheus Hampton and Mary E. Eggleston, both of Lemont Furnace, have been licensed to marry.

Try our Classified ads. It pays.

SMITHFIELD.

Chatty Letter from the Metropolis of Georges Township.

Smithfield, March 14.—G. Mayer of Philadelphia was registered at Black's Hotel and doing business with our merchants yesterday and today.

R. J. Arnett Uniontown; W. H. Douglas and L. A. Magnus, Pittsburg, and W. S. Bresh of Uniontown were registered at Black's Hotel yesterday.

Ye scribe is about hors de combat with the la grippe and bronchitis.

It appears that we were mistaken in the sex of our friend, Clyde Bailey's child yesterday; it was a girl instead of a boy.

It snowed without ceasing yesterday but the temperature was about high enough to melt it as it fell so that there was about the same amount of snow on the ground yesterday evening that there was in the morning.

A. C. Jones, mine foreman at the Wharton coke plant, is still confined to the house on account of the foot he got injured last Saturday. He will have to be off some time yet. Jacob Stuck is filling his position during his absence.

Keep in mind the next attraction at the town hall, March 31, "Laurant, the Magician," who will be here under the auspices of the public schools.

Master Clarence Black is confined to his home on account of a bad cold.

Squire F. P. Willson of Georges No. 4 was in the borough last night. He was an ardent supporter of Smiley for tax collector and says he will have something for publication in rebuttal to the correspondence in the Standard in reference to the election and how it was conducted in No. 4 precinct. He says it was rotten to the core, as he will show in his article.

Floyd J. Brownfield and Miss Mary Abraham and C. A. Soisson took in the show at the West End Theatre, Uniontown, Monday night.

Watch for our new story.

P. A. Rankin and Mrs. Jas. R. Vance are reported as being on the sick list. Mrs. Vance had just recovered from a siege of illness of several weeks' duration and took a relapse.

The young people gathered at the home of E. W. Field on High House street last night where they enjoyed themselves in games and social chat until the wee small hours. An appetising lunch was served during the evening.

Martin Hope from near Morris Cross Roads, Springhill township, was seen on our streets this morning.

SURPRISE PARTY

At the Home of Miss Catherine Watt in Honor of Her Son.

A surprise party was given by Mrs. Catherine Watt at her home on Sycamore street Tuesday evening in honor of her son, Arthur Watt, who is home from the Northern University of Ohio. The evening was spent in a most enjoyable maner, music and games being the principal amusements. Seven tables of cards were in use during the evening. The first prize, a cushion cover was captured by Miss Irene Hazlett, the second prize, a dainty hand made handkerchief was carried off by Mrs. Charles Dix. At the close of the games luncheon was served. The various apartments were prettily decorated for the occasion carnations and roses being used. There were 30 guests present.

ATTENDED A RALLY.

Of Scottdale Baptist Young People on Tuesday Evening.

Rev. A. A. DeLarme, William Snyder, Charles Bailey, Harry Wilson, William Lowe, Misses Jennie and Nannie Herbert, Miss Margaret Percy, Miss Emma Hito, Miss Martha Gemas, Miss Hazel Kreger, L. V. Marshall and daughter, Miss Anna Mary, were at Scottdale Tuesday evening attending a rally held by the Young People's Society of the Scottdale Baptist Church. Addresses were made by Rev. West of the Greensburg Baptist Church, Rev. Haines of the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, and Rev A. A. DeLarme, of the Connellsville Baptist Church. The audience was a large and appreciative one. Several musical selections were rendered by the church choir.

NO FAITH IN GOVERNMENT.

Russian Revolutionists Issue Startling Proclamation.

Warsaw, March 14.—[Special]—The Socialists have created a stir by issuing a proclamation as follows: "we have no faith in Government and Douma Revolutionists must fight until their aims have been reached. A merciless fight will be renewed in the spring and the struggle must be ended all before the first of May."

Killed on Railroad.

Mielic Mattia, an Austrian, about 48 years old, was killed by a railroad train near Meyersdale, Pa.

WITH BALL AND CHAIN

How Culprits Will Work Out Penalties on Scottdale Streets.

SAVE OUT THE FINE MONEY.

Some of the Street Workers Have Sought Swift Flight and New Means Must Be Had to Keep Them at Their Tasks.

Special to The Courier.

Scottdale, March 14.—Those gentlemen of bibulous tastes and roystering proclivities would ever do well in retaining in their purses sufficient coin, not alone for car fare, but for fine money whenever they transgress the borough laws relative to good order. For if they are unable to pay their fines and costs when found guilty they will have set before them hours of toil upon the borough streets, and it is likely under the restraining weight of ball and chain or hobbles.

Such is the mandate of Burgess William Ferguson. Those who dance shall pay the piper. If they do not pay their fines and costs their manual strength will be made valuable on the borough thoroughfares. Some of the non-payers have already been tried as street workers, but not having upon their persons any weight incompatible with hasty flight, some of them have escaped. Street Commissioner T. B. May has worked out some of them. He refuses, however, to chase the culprits when they flee, and no wonder. Strange and wierd stories are told in the suburbs of prisoners flying from the borough. It would take a swift sprinter to catch them. And street commissioners are not employed along for their sprinting records.

When Zach English was street commissioner he prevented flight a few times by threatening to split from topknot to brisket with his shovel any prisoner trying to escape. None was hardy enough to stand against the threat.

The Police Committee of Council is wrestling with the problem of retaining prisoners working on the streets. What method they will devise is not known. But no one of ordinary wisdom will get himself in the unpleasant predicament of being without money to pay his fine.

THE FIREMEN'S ROOMS.

Scottdale Lads Lay Down Directions for Their Quarters.

Scottdale, March 14.—The Scottdale Volunteer Fire Department have recently fixed up their rooms in the borough building in splendid shape and intend to have the rooms put to their proper uses only.

The following house committee has been appointed: Roy Baker, E. K. Stickel, Smith Hamilton E. S. Baldwin and Samuel Kelly. Today they put up the following rules: "All persons are warned not to enter these rooms for any pretext whatever, unless they be firemen, accompanied by a fireman or official of the borough. Summary proceedings will be taken against anyone found entering these rooms or disobeying the rules and regulations laid down herewith. Not

"Not more than one person may accompany a fireman to these rooms unless it be for the express purpose of inspecting the rooms or apparatus of the department.

"The drinking of intoxicating liquors is positively forbidden in these rooms. Each fireman will be allowed to bring one friends once a week to enjoy the privileges of these rooms."

CELLAR FLOODED.

Scottdale Borough Building Was Left in Ugly Plight by Water.

Scottdale, March 14.—A closed up sewer caused trouble at the borough building yesterday and last night, having filled the cellar nearly full of water, when Janitor Henry Dial got around in the morning. The water had risen high on the two big gas furnaces situated in the cellar, and which heat the building, and an explosion was imminent, when Street Commissioner T. B. May, who is possessed of high rubber boots, waded into the flooded cellar and shut off the gas. He at once went to work to locate the trouble, but it was a long and ugly job before it was found, the gas turned on again and the big building warmed up.

Blue Bird Avenged.

Taney Brona and Joseph Pamomba, two Italians of Derry Station, are serving 70 days each in the Westmoreland county jail for killing a blue bird.

ROAD REFORM.

Washington County Leads the Movement in Western Pennsylvania.

No county in the western part of the State has done so much to advance road improvement as Washington, says the Philadelphia Press. For many years the authorities of the county have been agitating for good roads, and the Republican platform every year since 1902 has declared for them.

These have had their effect. At the election last month each of the 33 townships in Washington county voted on the question of abolishing the system of working out road taxes, and in 22 of them the voters have abolished it. The others still need some missionary work, and will get it no doubt. The proportion of townships which have voted for a cash road tax is very significant. It is just about a reverse of the proportion in the average of counties through the interior of the State, though in some counties every township voted to continue the work system.

What Washington has just done is merely supplementary to the good work it has done for ten years. It is one of the few counties, possibly the only except Allegheny, which has taken advantage of the act of 1895. It has a population of but 92,000, but it has issued $160,000 of county road bonds, and the Commissioners will issue $85,000 more within a month. Besides the roads already built by the county or now under construction, the Grand Jury has approved additional petitions for roads which will cost $240,000. The advantage of the act of 1895 for the farmers is that the cost of good roads falls uniformly on all property which is taxable for county purposes.

The enterprising conditions in Washington county are largely due to persistent advocacy under a leadership that has had public confidence. Congressman Acheson is entitled to no small share of the credit for the good roads spirit so earnestly displayed by the people. Washington has been made a county to pattern after in this particular.

PIRATES OF PENZANCE.

Philharmonic Society Begins Rehearsals for Its Production.

Scottdale, March 14.—The Philharmonic Society, the musical organization of town that has already demonstrated its cleverness in some excellent local entertainments, took up the rehearsal of the opera of "The Pirates of Penzance," which is booked for an early production at Geyer's Opera House. There was a good attendance of members Monday evening.

Will Have Night Sergeant.

A night sergeant is to be added to the Greensburg police force. He will be on duty at police headquarters.

Johnny—Sister and I want to play store. Won't you give us somethin' to sell?

Mother—Yes, dear. Here's my button bag, scissors and six spools of cotton.

Johnny—It won't be that kind of a store. We went to sell cake, pie and candy.—New York Mail.

"It is my father."